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3rd Feb.	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA.....	7911
17th ,,	CHINA.....	7912	.....	.....
24th ,,	PENINSULAR..	5294	BRITANNIA ...	6525
3rd Mar.	ARABIA.....	7903	.....	.....
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	10000
17th ,,	MACEDONIA...	10512	.....	.....
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7th Apl.	ORIENTAL	5284	MOOLTAN.....	10000
14th ,,	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
21st ,,	PENINSULAR...	5294	MARMORA ...	10509
28th ,,	CALEDONIA ..	7558	.....	.....
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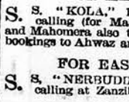

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Petition for Probate of the Will of AWDAJI ANAJI HARDE, late of Bombay, Maratha Hindu Inhabitant, a dealer in hay, deceased.

MUKTABAI, widow of ANAJI SATWAJI HARDE and KONDABAI, wife of DHARMAJI NARSOOJI, both of Bombay, Maratha Hindu Inhabitants, both residing at Umerkhadi out of Fort, the Executors named in the said Will .....Petitioners.

ALL persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness SIR LAWRENCE H. JENKINS, K.C.I.E., Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid this twenty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine hundred and five and in the fifth year of our Reign.

L. N. BANAJI, Registrar.

The Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

A. M. KAJIJI.
The 21st day of December, 1905.
Messrs. MAGANLAL, JEHANGIR & GULABBHAI, Petitioner's Attorneys.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the half year ended 31st December last, at the Rate of 10 per cent per annum and a Bonus of 2 per cent per annum, both free from Income Tax, will be payable on application on and after WEDNESDAY, the 10th instant, to Registered Shareholders, on 31st December, 1905.

By Order of the Board.
J. BEGBIE,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 4th January, 1906.

UNCOVENANTED SERVICE FAMILY PENSION FUND.

NOTICE.

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Subscribers to the above Fund will be held in the Town Hall, on SATURDAY, the 27th January, 1906, at 3 P.M., to receive the report of the Directors, to lay before the Meeting the Books of the Fund together with an Abstract Statement of the accounts and a List of subscribers and incumbents in accordance with the Fund Rule 53, and to fill by election under Rule 5 the three vacancies caused by the retirement by rotation of three Directors, also to elect Auditors for the ensuing year, as required by Rule 8.

The following is the List of Subscribers who, if elected, are willing to serve on the board. Subscribers desiring to vote for the election of Directors should send in their votes to this office two clear days before the date of the Meeting.

By Order of Directors.
RIVERS HOWE.
Secretary.

Names of Subscribers who, if elected, are willing to serve on the Board :—

E. BAPTISTE.	W. A. INGLIS.
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OLDBURY BURNE.	* J. M. MENDES.
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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

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THURSDAY, 11TH JANUARY.
"BELLE OF NEW YORK."
FRIDAY, 12TH JANUARY.
THE DUCHESS OF DANTZIC.
SATURDAY, 13TH JANUARY.
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NOTICE.

LOCAL FIRMS dealing in Cast Iron and Stone-ware pipes and Fittings, Hardware, Metals, Shipchandlers and other Miscellaneous Stores used by the different Departments of the Bombay Municipality are invited to periodically submit particulars of Stock and Prices to Undersigned.

T. S. WILKINSON,
Storekeeper.
Central Stores Office,
Bombay Municipality,
Chinchpogly, Bombay, 9th January, 1906.

NOTICE is hereby given that Messrs FORBES FORBES CAMPBELL and Co. Ltd., by their Liquidator, ALFRED ERNEST HOARE, have contracted for the absolute sale to our client of the undermentioned property. All persons therefore having or claiming any right, title or interest in or to the same by way of inheritance, bequest, gift, sale, lease, mortgage, lien or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make such claims known in writing to the Undersigned at their Office, No 29, Esplanade Road, Fort, within 14 days from this date, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claims and all such claims if any will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION, All that piece of land together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house for many years past in the occupation of the firm of Messrs. Sir Charles Forbes and Company, Bankers and Merchants, and now in the occupation of Forbes Forbes Campbell and Co., Ltd. and the stables and outhouses standing on the said piece of land situate, lying and abutting on the North side of Rampart Row West within the Fort of Bombay, and the Registration Sub-district formerly of the Fort and Colaba and now of Bombay and which said land is entered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 32 and 31, and New No. 4818, Old Survey No. 1389, and New Survey No. 4-9501 and which said house and premises are now assessed by the Collector of Assessments under No. 1078 ward (A) Streets Nos. 1 and 7 Bakehouse Lane, and 21 and 5 Rampart Row, and which said premises are bounded as follows :—On the South by the Public Road called Rampart Row West, on the North by the land houses and premises formerly in the occupation of Her Majesty's High Court at Bombay and now known as the Great Western Hotel, on the East by the Scotch Church, and a passage running between the said Church and the hereditaments hereby agreed to be sold towards the building formerly used as an Ice House, and on the West by the Public Road or Street known as Bake-House Lane, and which said piece of land contains by admeasurement five hundred and thirty-six and five-ninths Square yards of thereabouts, together with all their fixtures and fittings and all other rights easements and appurtenances, free from incumbrances.—Dated this 10th day of January, 1906.

ARDESIR, HORMUSJI DINSHAW & Co.
Purchaser's Attorneys.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,
No. 35, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. MENESSE & Co., will sell by Public Auction on the premises on FRIDAY, the 13th instant, at 3 p. m., the materials of the following buildings :—

The materials of buildings street Nos. 52, 56, 56 in Chundanwadi.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED LUGGAGE, PARCELS, &c., AT G. I. P. RAILWAY, VICTORIA TERMINUS.

In accordance with Sections 55 and 53 of Railway Act IX of 1890, under instructions from the G. I. P. Railway, Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at 2 p. m. at the abovementioned place—

A quantity of unclaimed goods, parcels, etc., etc.

AUCTION SALE of Railway Plant, Stores, &c., &c., at the B B and C I Railway Company's Stores Depot, Parel.

Messrs MENESSE &Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on THURSDAY the 25th Instant at 1 p.m., at the B B and C I Railway Company's Stores Depot, Parel :—

A quantity of Railway plant, stores, &c., &c., consisting of stile forges, India rubber scrap, bolts and nuts, rivets, drums, kegs, lamps of sorts, old rail pieces, tanks, bridge materials zinc scraps, cast and wrought iron and steel, scrap of sorts, wood, locks, axles, cut pieces, earthenware pans, of old files, iron tubes, C. I. pipes, stoneware pipes, travelling hand crane and miscellaneous other stores.

The materials have been already weighed and the weighment marked on each lot, and purchasers must accept this as final.

A deposit of 25 per cent will be required when the lots are knocked down, and the balance must be paid and the goods removed away within one month failing which the same will be sold on account and risk of the first purchaser.

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Bombay, 10th January, 1906.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
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THE SALE of the remaining Stock Trade of Messrs. Moreas and Co. will be resumed TO-DAY at 1 p.m.

SALE OF IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY SITUATE ON MODY BAY PORT TRUST ESTATE.

Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will under instructions from the Mortgagee and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagors Mirza Ally Mahomed Aga Mahomed Ally, Hajee Abdool Hussun Sheerazee under and by virtue of the power of sale given under the Indenture of Mortgage dated 28th day of August, 1897, sell by public auction THIS DAY WEDNESDAY the 10th day of January, 1906, on the premises the undermentioned property at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

All that piece or parcel of leasehold land with the messuage tenements and buildings standing thereon situated on the Mody Bay Port Trust Estate in the island of Bombay containing by admeasurement five hundred and fifteen and five-ninths square yards and registered by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rate and Taxes under ward No. 2703 and street No. 26 and bounded as follows that is to say on or towards the North by the land belonging to the said Trustees on or towards the South by Colaba Street on or towards the East by the land in the occupation of Rattonjee Jamsjee Mistree and on or towards the West partly by the land in the occupation of Hormusji Limjibhoy Gorakpurwalla and partly of Haji Sayed Jaffer Ispahanee which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 8489 and are situate in the registration district of Bombay and are now in the occupation of the said Mortgagors and their tenants.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned or to Messrs Little and Co. Attorneys for the Mortgagee.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will, THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY the 10th instant, at 3 p.m., sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the whole of the building materials of House Nos. 81-83, 77-79 and 73, Cases Nos. 182, 183, 184, and Ward Nos. 7599 7589, 7583, Kalbadevi Road and House Nos. 98-101, 105-107 Cases Nos. 175, 181, and Ward Nos. 7521 and 7485 Bhandari Street.

AUCTION SALE OF MADRAS COTTON MUSLIN, BRICE BISE NET AND CURTAIN, PAGREE, EDGING, TAPESTRY, &c.

TO-MORROW THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at 3 p.m., Messrs BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, on account of the concerned :—

4 cases consisting of Madras cotton muslin brice bise net and curtain, pagree edging tapestry etc.

AUCTION SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE STORES AND OIL ENGINE WITH DYNAMOS, WIRES ETC.

Under instructions from the Superintendent Government Telegraph Stores, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will, TOMORROW THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at 2 p. m. sell by Public Auction, at Government Telegraph Stores, Wadi Bunder, a large quantity of wire of sizes one oil engine with dynamos and electri lighting apparatus complete, (suitable for an electric light Installation at some Royal Palace or other public place in the Mofussil) and other sundry telegraph stores, etc.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

On SATURDAY, the 13th instant at 3 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods etc.

By order of the Trustees of the late Mr E R Sassoon :—

One lot of glass and crockery ware, and a lot of valuable law and other books, etc.

AT 1-30 P. M.

1 handsome strong victoria, in very good order.
1 handsome strong palanquin office shigram, in very good order.
1 handsome strong glass fronted miniature brougham in very good order.
1 bay arab quiet in harness and saddle.
1 grey ponyquiet in harness.

AUCTION SALE OF THE RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will on MONDAY, the 15th inst. at 3 p.m. sell by Public Auction on the premises the right of occupancy of House Nos 19-233, 26-23 case Nos 332 and 33 and Ward Nos 6 and 513 Abdul Rahmman Street.

AUCTION SALE of VERY VALUABLE BUILDING PLOTS, at Princess Street otherwise known as Chandanwadi and Lohar Chawl Road, and Popatwadi Scheme No. II.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will on WEDNESDAY, the 24th January, 1906, at 3 p.m., sell by Public Auction on the site Schemes No. II.

The right of occupancy of the following very valuable building plots for the term of 999 years.

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26	336 sqr. yards.	31	513 sqr yards.
27	273 do. do.	50	241 do. do.
28	241 do. do.	51	289 do. do.
31	397 do. do.	63	433 do. do.
31	351 do. do.	64	529 do. do.
32	453 do. do.	93	181 do. do.
33	470 do. do.	94	230 do. do.

Plans for the sites, conditions of sale, building conditions, form of lease, and all further particulars can be had on application from the Trust Engineer, Trust Building, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT FORAS ROAD.

Under instructions from Bai Rabiabai, widow of the late Haji Adam Sidick Ayshabai, wife of Abdool Sakae Esmail, Hajee Essaw Tyeb, Kermali Pirobhoy, Abdool Sakae Esmail and Essack Ismail the executors of the last Will and Testament of the said late Haji Adam Sidick, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will on SATURDAY, the 27th inst. at 4 p.m. sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the following very valuable landed property :—

All that piece and parcel of leasehold land or betty ground, situate at or near Cumballa point Cross Road leading to Foras Point in the Island of Bombay in the registration sub district of Mahim, containing by admeasurement 33000 (thirty-five thousand) sqr. feet or thereabouts, together with the messuages, tenement or thereabouts, together with the messuages tenants and dwelling-houses standing thereon, called or known as Large Cotton Godowns used for the Manufacturing under Ward Nos. 2971 (2) 2972—2975 (1) 2975 (3) 2975 (3) 2976—2977 and 2978 Street Nos. 47-1-4 and 4 A 4B, 5-6 87 which said premises are bounded as follows, That is to say on or towards the East by the property of the late Esmail Habib on or towards the West by the property of Parsee Pestanji on or towards the north by the property in the possession of the Napier Foundary Company, Limited, and on or towards the south by the Foras Road.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Thakordas & Co, Solicitors, or to the Undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, 10th January, 1906.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
NO. 7, MARINE STREET.

THE SALE of the unfinished house at Girgaum Back Road by order of the Official Assignee which was advertised to take place TO-DAY will be held on WEDNESDAY the 17th Inst.

SALE OF a Large and Choice Assortment of English Gold Jewellery, Watches and Silverware good for Presentation.

Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, on SATURDAY, the 13th Inst, at 2 p. m. by order of the concerned, a choice lot of English gold jewellery consisting of Bangles, wedding and masonic rings and other rings of various patterns set with rubies and other stones, gold pins and medals in cases, earrings and brooches set with pearls and rubies, bangles, studs and links in cases necklaces, lockets, seals, charms, swivels silver cigarette thimbles, muff chains cigar cases, charms, clocks striking hour and half hours gold and silver open faced and hunting keyless watches, and other miscellaneous articles good for presentation.

The above will be on view 2 days before the sale.

SALE OF TWO PIECES OF VACANT LAND SUITABLE FOR BUILDING PURPOSES AT GHAT COPPER NEAR COORLA, IN SALSETTE.

Under instructions from N. C. MacLeod Esq. Official Assignee and Assignee of the Estate of Devji Varsey an Insolvent Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on SUNDAY, the 14th instant, at the hours stated below on the premises the following two pieces on land :—

At 4 p. m.

Firstly,—A piece of vacant land situate on the north side of Ghat-Cooper Railway station and measuring about 1,389 square yards and is bounded as follows : On the east by the road to Ghat-Cooper, on the north by the property of Narandas Jayram on the south by the property Rustam Manuel Irance, and on the west by the property of Nowroji Merwanji.

AT 4-30 p.m.

Secondly,—A piece of vacant land, situate on the north side of Ghat-Cooper Railway station, and measuring about 1591 square yards and is bounded as follows : On the east by the Haji Abdula Road, on the west by the property of Haji Abdula Haji Sumer, on the north by the property of Haji Abdula Haji Sumar, and of the south by the property Chinaya Pirai.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the Undersigned.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On TUESDAY, the 16th Inst, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill, the very valuable and handsome French-polished teakwood and blackwood dining-room, drawing room, bedroom and office room furniture made to order consisting of set chesterfield, sofas and chairs, drawing room suit of sofas and chairs, lined silk tapestry, chippendale pattern cabinets, elegant chiffoniers, gardiniers, set of dining table, mirror back sideboard dumbwaiters, Baldwin icebox, single and double English and wooden bedsteads, brass double bedstead, single and double mirror, door, almirah, clothes and hanging presses, chest of drawers bedroom sofas, Lady's and gent's quadrant bycycles, old China large ginjars, valuable books of International Encyclopædia and Law books Library fancy curtains, flower ground large Indian carpet with border, bronze figure windproof lamp, &c. the property of H. E. GELL, Esq. Commissioner of Police.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before the Sale.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 10th January, 1906.

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PAID UP CAPITAL £562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £562,500
RESERVE FUNDS.....£110,000

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The Purple Head, by Edwin Pugh	0	8
A Lost Cause, by Guy Thorne	0	8
The Suburbans, by T. W. H. Crosland	0	8
A Son of the Sea, by F. T. Bullen	0	8
His Private Life, by H. Smith	0	8
In the Hands of the Czar, by Garrett Mill	0	8
Richard Hartley Prospector, by Douglas Blackburn	0	12
A Pillar of Dust, by Mrs. F. Campbell	0	8
Lone Marie, by W. E. Norris	0	8
Adventures of Gerard, by A. Conan Doyle	0	8
The Pilgrim's Progress	0	6
Shakespeare, Vol. II, 6 plays	0	6
Francis Bacon, Vol. I	0	6

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Bridge Topics by "Lynx"	0	8
Studies, by B. C. Mahtab	0	8
Overheard, by Skene Dhu	0	3
Henry Brocken, by W. I. de la Mare	0	4
Poems, by Joseph Furtado	0	4
The Queen's Resolve, by Charles Bullock	1	0
Crowned to Serve, by Charles Bullock	1	0
"Out of the Depths," by Pitt Bonarjee	1	0
The Story of the Bible Society, Illustrated, by W. Canton	2	0
Tamil-English Dictionary, by G. U. Pope	2	0
The Buddhist Catechism, in Tamil	0	4
Fireside Astronomy, by D. W. Horner	0	8
Sangeet Balopadesh, by B. B. T.	0	5
Brahmakarya, by Romesh C. Chakavartty	0	4
Echoes of the East, by Xenos	0	4
Schedule D., by S. W. Flint	0	4
Hindu Social Progress, by N. S. P. Garu	0	4
The Conversion of India, by Pitt Bonarjee	0	4
The Wife and Mother, by Vincent	1	0
German Grammar, &c., by Louis Lubovius	0	12
Sense and Sensibility, by Jane Austin	0	12
Physical Drill, by Kempster and Kaye	0	12
How to Invest Money, by R. R Gabbott	0	8
Home Hygiene in Gujarathi, by D. H. Mehta	0	8

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Rein, 725 tons, Captain N C Mathesin will sail to-day for Singapore with a general cargo.

THE Clan Line steamer Clan Shaw, 3502 tons Captain A W Simpson sailed yesterday for Chittagongwith the same bottom cargo.

THE steamer Gloamin, 2348 tons, Captain J W Learmouth arrived in harbour yesterday from Port Natal 23rd December, in ballast.

THE steamer St Bride 2514 tons Captain W R Nicoll will sail to-day for Havre and Dunkirk with a general cargo and Captain Logastina, as a passenger,

THE B I S N Co's steamer Dwarka 729 tons Captain E B Hirst sailed yesterday for Karachi via Kattawar Coast ports with a general cargo and passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Sofala, 3436 tons, Captain D L Neilson, arrived in harbour yesterday from Rangoon 26th December with a general cargo and two deck passengers.

DEPARTURE OF THE CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

THE P and O Co's steamer Delhi 14783 tons Captain J D Andrews will sail to-day for Shanghai via Colombo and intermediate ports with China and Australian mails a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Colombo—Mr A Leighton, Mr J Andersen, Mr C Christia, Mr and Mrs and Miss Pestonji and infant, Mrs D Banaji and Mr D Dhunjibhoy. For Singapore—Mr T Fraser. For Melbourne—Viscountess Cantelope and Mr A M Ratligan. For Sydney—Mr L Rich, Miss Rich, Miss Marshall, and Mrs Boyce. For Hong-Kong—Mr Vasconcelles. Mr D M Mistri, Mr G Ramchandra. For Yokohama—Mr F Coduri.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
9	Gloamin s.	Learmouth	Port Natal Dec 23
	Sofala s.	Neilson	Rangoon Dec 26

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
9	Dwarka s.	Hirst	Karachi &c
	Clan Shaw s.	Simpson	Chittagong

The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday:—

Steamer St Bride Nicall for Dunkirk &c
" Delhi Andrew for Shanghai
" Bein Matheisn for Singapore

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—

Steamer Gloamin for Liverpool &c.
" Forest Date for Baltimore
" Shwarzenfels for Hamburg &c
" Dagfred for Bangkok
" Simla for China

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Austrian Lloyd's Chartered s s "Arimatea," from Trieste, left Suez for Bombay on the 5th instant and may be expected here on the 22nd instant.

DAILY EXPORTS.—JAN. 9.

FOR LIVERPOOL

Stephans s—600 bales cotton Gaddum and Co; 200 bales cotton Glade and Co; 40 bales wool The Bombay Company 820 cwts oil cake Momji

Australia s—191 bales wool S J Mohomed 160 bales hemp 1000 cwts manganese ore Kiddle Rc. ve and Co; 69 bales wool D Nagji 78 bales wool D Goculdas and 750 cwts wheat sweepings Harri Kanji 11473 cwts oil cake The New Mofussil Company 25 bales wool G Gumanmul 116 bales wool D Nagji and Co; 46 bales wool T Chimandas 104 cwts old copper 20 cwts old nickel 2·5 cwts old brass R Keroba 400 cwts old brass Rustomji Bomanji 47 bales wool L Hurbhum

FOR GLASGOW

Australia s—50 bales hemp Kiddle Reeve and Co

FOR PHILADELPHIA.

Australia s—120 casks salted skins Max Klim

FOR NEW YORK.

Australia s—240 casks salted skins Max Klim 2 cases chaulmogra oil Kemp and Co

FOR HULL.

Castello s—3000 cwts cottonseed Volkart Bros 100 bales hemp Kiddle Reeve and Co; 6000 cwts cottonseed Morarji Ratansee

Crewe Hall s—867 cwts cottonseed Ralli Bros 2000 cwts cotton seed Morarji Ratansee 600 cwts dillseed Baner Kranse 2000 cwts cottonseed The Bombay Co; 1000 cwts cotton seed and 6900 cwts cottonseed Volkart Bros

FOR DUNKIRK.

Trentham Hall s—2000 cwts bones H H Suleman and Co

FOR HAVRE.

St Bride s—2900 cwts linseed Volkart Bros

Annam s—450 bales cotton The Bombay Company 150 bales cotton Ralli Bros 2000 cwts linseed W and A Graham and Co

FOR BREMEN.

Schwarzenfels s—275 bales cotton Volkart Bros 2000 cwts poppyseed 280 bales cotton Ralli Bros

FOR TRIESTE.

Istria s—110 bales cotton Glade and Co; 1001 cwts myrabollams Palumsee Jethabhoy 3 0 bales cotton The New mofussil Co; 880 bales cotton A Blascheck and Co

FROM NEW PORT

Branksome Hall s—3200 tons manganese ore R A Willis

FOR VENICE,

Istria s—400 bales cotton Volkart Bros 100 bales cotton Walter Pavri and Co; 100 bales cotton Glade and Co

FOR BALTIMORE,

Forest Dale s—5000 tons manganese ore R A Willis

FOR GENOA.

R Rubattino s—200 bales cotton Glade Co

FOR HONGKONG,

Delhi s—35 cwts knabsalcods 37 cwts almond T Canji 2 1-2 cwts wory E Elias and Co; 26 chests opium Talati and Co; 29 chests opium E D Sassoon and Co; 23 chests opium C Ebrahim and Co; 42 chests opium David Sassoon and Co; 16 chests opium E Noordin and Co

Capri s—1000 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co; 94 cwts Sharkfins E Moledina and Co; 159 cwts sharkfins M J Joomabhy and Co; 50 bales twist Tata and Co; 25 bales twist O Bhowanidas

FOR SHANGHAI,

Capri s—200 bales twist B S N Talati and Co

Delhi s—280 chests opium Phiroz 12 chests opium E Noordin and Co; 31 chests opium C Ebrahim and Co; 64 chests opium Abram E J Abraham 66 1-2 chests opium R S N Talati and Co; 25 chests opium C Bomonji and Co; 47 chests opium David Sassoon and Co; 24 chests opium Talati and Co; 98 chests opium N J Abraham

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, Jan. 8.

SECURITIES—

2 1-2 per cent. Consols	89 7-16	= — 1-16
3 do. Rentes	98 3 4	= unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	105	= — 1-4
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	65 7-8	= unchanged
SILVER—		
Spot in London	31 1-16	= + 3-8
2 months hence	29 7-16	= + 7-16
Spot in New York	65	= + 3-4
EXCHANGES—		
Paris cheques	25·10	= unchanged
Berlin "	20·42 1-4	= + 1-4
New York Demand	4·36 1-4	= + 1-2
DISCOUNTS—		
Bank of England	4	per cent = unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills	3 3-4	do = do
6 " " "	3 1-2	do = do
3 " " Fine Trade Bills	4	do = unchanged
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	4 1-4	do = do
INTEREST—		
Day to day loans	2 1-4	do = — 1-8
7 day market loans	2 7-8	do = unchanged
SUGAR—		
German granulated 1st marks 10 3 Jan. sellers steady		
RUBBER—		
Para Rubber 5 4 1-4 done		
WHEAT—		
Wheat Afloat for U. K. 1,640,000.		
RAPESEED—		
Yellow Guzerat 46 M.-A. sellers		
Yellow Cawnpore 44 3-4 J.-F sellers		
Brown 43 A. M. sellers		
LINSEED—		
Linseed Bold 46 1-2 + 1-2 A-M sellers		
COFFEE—		
Coffee in New York 8 1-16		
ARRIVAL—		
Steamers—Koordistan Tudor Prince D Balduino		

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quiet. East Indian dull. Manchester steady. Total Sales 10,000. Spot 6 07—12. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 8 3-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 1,000. Imports 1,000. Futures closed steady.

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April
5·95	5·93	6·01
—10	—10	—10
April-May	May-June.	June-July
6·04	6·07	6·09
—10	—10	—9
July.-Aug	Aug.-Sept.	Sep.-Oct
6·10	6·01	5·99
—9	—10	—9

Receipts at U S Ports 34,000
Do last year 27,000
Exports to Great Britain 33,000
Do. do Continent 23,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot 11·75 unchanged
Futures, month of March 11·48 + 7 } a
Do do. July 11·66 + 4 }

Advanced owing to heavier exports.

Liverpool quotations for East Indian cotton are all reduced 1-16d.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 48 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Monday 8th Jan. 1905 :—

Cotton	16,806	bales.	
Wheat	17,946	cwts.	
Linseed	5,014	do	
Rape, Rai and Mustard	231	do	
Gingellyseed	19,944	do	
Poppyseed	764	do	
Groundnut	905	do	
Castorseed	3,936	do	
Rice	3,051	do	
Myrabollams	7,007	do	
Cottonseed	16,602	do	
Mowrasee	134	do	
Gram	771	do	
Joowar	45	do	
Maize	9	do	

BOMBAY, JAN. 9.

EXCHANGE.—Tone firm.

Bank T. T.	1s. 4	3-32d.
Bank Demand	1s. 4	1-8d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A.	1s. 4	11-32d.
Do. 6 do. do.	1s. 4	15-32d.
French Francs 3 do. do.	171	
Marcks 3 do. do.	139	3-4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight	146	
Shanghai 30 do.	205	
Japan 30 do.	150	

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone quiet.

Cash	97·7
1st Settlement, 31st January	97·12

Money Market. Tone firm.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 28th Sept.	4	per cent.	
Bank of Bombay do. 4th	Jan. 8	do.	
Bank of Bengal do. 4th	" 8	do.	
Bank of Madras do. 9th	" 7	do.	

SEEDS.

	Rs.	a.	p.
LINSEED—Tone firm,			
Ready	8	1	0
Forward April-May	8	7	0
RAPESEED.—Tone firm.			
Brown Cawnpore Ready	7	2	0
Do. Forward April-May	7	4	0
Yellow Guzerat Ready	7	10	0
POPPYSEED—Tone firm.			
Ready	7	14	0
Forward April-May	7	12	0
CASTORSEED—Tone firm,			
Ready	34	8	0
GINGELLYSEED—Tone firm.			
Howree Khandeish	47	0	0
15 per cent Mixed	46	8	0

WHEAT—Tone steady.

Ready Delhi White	5	2	0

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	steady.
Estimated sales	8,000 Bales
Imports	50,000 "

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April
5·99	6·02	6·05
+4	+4	+4
April-May	May-June	June-July
6·08	6·11	6·13
+4	+4	+4
July-Aug.	Aug.-Sep.	Sep.-Oct.
6·14	6·05	5·84
+4	+4	+4

COTTON.—The market is quiet, but steady. Heavy tendering against previous sales is in progress, and there is a moderate enquiry for ready cottoun.

Closing "Sutta" quotations are as follows :—

Bengals Fully Good January .....Rs. 191 1-2
Broach M.-G. Good March..... " 255 1-2

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

	Fine.	F.-G.	Good.	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)	197	189	...	25th Jan.
Bengals (M.-G. Ry. terms...	205	195	...	25th Jan.
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.) ...	207	197	...	25th Jan.
Oomrawutte (descriptions) M.-G.	219	213	...	25th Jan.
Khandeish, (M.-G.) ...	214	208	...	25th Jan.
Khamgaum, fair staple (M.-G.)				
Karanja do. (M.-G.)	220	214	...	25th Jan.
Akola do. (M.-G.)				
Oomra, good staple (M.-G.) ...	230	224	...	25th Jan.
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	233	227	...	25th Jan.
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.) ...	237	231	...	25th Jan.
Broach (M.-G.)	208	...	258	25th Mar
Muttia (M.-G.)	218	213	...	25th Feb.
Yeotmal (M.-G.)	230	230	...	25th Jan

A TRAVELLING NEWSPAPER EXHIBITION.

THE two Associations of Master Printers in Berlin and Leipzig have taken the initiative in the latest step for increasing the interest of printers in the success of their work. They have prepared for exhibition first of all in Berlin a collection of 6000 different newspapers from all parts of the world free of charge, so that all those interested might be able to compare the periodical publications of various countries and times. The small size of the newspapers in the 18th and at the beginning of the 19th centuries, the differences between American and European styles, the continual increase of black and white, and coloured illustrations are among the most striking features. Even the titles and places of publication of many of the newspapers are often instructively suggestive. For non-German countries the papers have been arranged on a geographical basis, whilst German papers are arranged according to the parties which they support. In this way German papers published in distant foreign countries, Chinese papers published in San Francisco and similar exotic publications become especially prominent.

The collection does not profess to be complete. There is no intention to compete with the permanent exhibition of newspapers at Aix-la-Chapelle. The principal intention is rather to show how the art of printing may be adapted to all conditions and to make clear the various methods of using the type to attract attention and emphasise the printed matter. From the numerous examples given the observant printer can draw many suggestions which he will be able to utilise. In order to distribute the benefits of this exhibition as widely as possible, the two Associations have placed the collection free of charge at the disposal of the trade associations of all German towns. Already the exhibition at the commencement of its wanderings in Berlin is profiting from the liberal manner in which it is being supported. Visitors, who have preserved historically interesting, or rare, copies of newspapers from remote countries, have transferred them from their own comparatively useless possession to the collection maintained for the common benefit and instruction of their fellow-tradesmen by the two Associations. Guides explain the collection and the requisites of the modern newspaper printing press which are on view and each visitor may also take with him as a memento an example of the latest daily paper published on the spot. "Continental Correspondence."

THE Annual Golpadevi Temple Fair and Palanquin Procession will take place to-day at Worlee Koliwada, at 9 p. m.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notice (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less and 8 as. for every additional lines. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

GOODALL—January 6, at Madras, the wife of H C A Goodall, Telegraph Department, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

BERRINGTON—TUBNER—December 28, at St Michael's Church, Jhansi, by the Rev J Gomperiz, Trevor Davies Berrington Director of Indian Telegraphs to Fanny Bice Turner, daughter of George Turner of Naples.

Bombay.
Dec. 1905.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 36m. Sun sets, 5h. 39m. High water, 10-59m., 11-54s. Low water, 5-22m., 5-6s.
Municipal Standing Committee, 3-30 p.m. (B. T.)
Star of India Mills, 51, Apollo Street, 2 p.m.
Meeting of the University Senate, 5-45 p.m. (S. T.)
Government Telegraph Recreation Club, annual dance, Telegraph Buildings, 9 p.m.
Novelty Theatre, the Bandmann Opera Company, 9-15 p.m. (S. T.)

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Mauritius per extra s. s. Afghan will be closed at the General Post Office at 3 p.m., standard time to-day instead of on the 9th Instant as previously intimated.

STREET ACCIDENT.—A Hindu girl, named Margali, aged 5, was yesterday morning, running across the road in Karwar Street, when she was accidentally run over by a hackney victoria, sustaining serious internal injuries. She was conveyed to the G. T. Hospital for treatment.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN FORAS ROAD.—Rao Natha, a Hindu, aged 40, employed as a labourer in the Foras Road Iron works was on Monday evening, engaged with several other men at the works in tilting over an iron tank on to one side, when the tank accidentally fell crushing him to death.

THE SIDDICK SOBANI MEMORIAL FUND.—The Trustees of late Mr. Siddick Mahomed Sobani Memorial Fund acknowledge the following contributions to the fund:—Hajee Cassum Hajee Ladha of Poona Rs 200, Molvi Mahomed Siddick Rs. 50 Haji Esmail Salt of Bangalore, Rs.1,000 and Haji Abdool Latif Haji Ahmed's sons of Calcutta Rs. 500.

DROWNING FATALITY.—Mr. P. Byrne the Coroner, held an inquest yesterday at the Morgue, relative to the death of Bhagirathibai, a Hindu woman aged 25. Deceased had been subject to epileptic fits for some years past. On Monday her body was found in a quarry hole near Chamarbaug, Parel. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

DR. MRS. GODINHO'S RETURN TO BOMBAY.—The numerous patients of Dr Mrs. L. Godinho, who had gone to Europe for the benefit of her health, will be pleased to learn that she has returned to Bombay with improved health During her stay in Europe she qualified herself for the Licentiate of midwifery, and Gynæcology in Dublin, and took specia, training in those subjects in Vienna and Paris. She has also obtained the M. D. degree of Brussels.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel S. J. Sarjant V D., and Officers of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Ry. Vol. Band will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Band Master, commencing at 6-30 p. m. to-day :—

March	Under The Double Eagle—Wagner
Overture	Le Domino Noir—Auber
Selection	Sergeant Brue—Lehmann
Polka Cornet Solo	The Star of England—Farrell
Selection	The Girl From Kays—Caryll
Valse	Dreams of Andalusian—Fran'mann

MUSIC AT THE PYRKE'S APOLLO HOTEL.—The Victoria String Band will play the following programme of music at the Pyrke's Apollo Restaurant, commencing at 6-30 till 9-30 p.m. to-day :—

March	Soldiers in the Park—Monckton
Overture	Le Diademe—Herman
Valse	Florodora—Klefert
Selection	The Toreador—Klefert
March	A Frangesa—E Keiser
Gavotte	The First Kiss—Schubert
Valse	The Earl and the Girl—Caryll
Cake Walk	Whistling Rufus—Mills

CITY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.—At a meeting of the Bombay City Improvement Trust held yesterday afternoon, under the presidency of the Hon'ble Mr. G. O. W. Dunn, it was notified that the Corporation had accorded sanction to the Board's new street in Scheme II being called "Princess Street" instead of "Prince's Street"; that a Government Resolution had been received regarding the demarcation of the northern boundary of the Island of Bombay; and that the Engineer intimated that certain land at Chowpatty and the Kennedy Sea Face had been handed over to the Municipality for the purpose of health camps. The following members were appointed to assist in the preparation of the Budget for the ensuing year:—Mr. W. D. Sheppard, Sir Walter C. Hughes Sir Sassoon J. David, Mr. D. E. Wacha, and the Hon'ble Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtoolla.

SUIT FOR GOODS SUPPLY.—On the Original Side of the High Court, yesterday, before the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, a suit instituted by the Sirdar Carbonic Acid Gas Company, Limited, against Mr. W. H. Lemon-Humby was called on for disposal. The plaintiffs claimed a decree for Rs. 790, with interest and costs. Mr. Strangman, instructed by Messrs. Payne and Co., appeared for the plaintiffs; the defendant did not appear. Counsel proved service of process on the defendant, and put the accountant into the witness-box to prove the claim. Witness said that he knew the defendant, who carried on business for sometime past in Jabbalpore. Goods were supplied to the defendant by the plaintiffs from September 1903 to November 1904, and the details regarding the supply and the prices were correct. On 10th April 1905, Rs. 2,790-5-6 were due by the defendant, who had not paid anything since. Decree was passed against the defendant for the amount with interest at 9 per cent. to date, and 6 per cent. on judgment till payment with costs.

ACCIDENT AT THE DOCKS.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, before Mr P. H. Dastoor, Second Presidency Magistrate, Sufi Mahomedan, a Mahomedan in charge of one of the cranes in the docks, was charged with causing grievous hurt to one Dhula Luxmon, a Hindu dock labourer, by doing a rash and negligent act, inasmuch as he failed to give timely warning to complainant to get out of the way of the sling of the crane of which he was in charge. Mr. O. J. Mistry defended the accused. The case for the prosecution was that on the 23rd ultimo, complainant, along with other labourers, was working on the s. s. "Pekin" then lying in the docks, which was being loaded with bales by means of the crane in charge of the accused. Five of the bales while being hoisted, fell on complainant, owing to accused not having given him any warning, with the result that he was seriously injured about the head and back, and had to be conveyed to the G. T. Hospital where he had been detained for treatment till Monday. The evidence, for the defence however, went to show that the accused had shouted to the complainant to move out of the road which the latter failed to do. The Magistrate, on the evidence discharged the accused remarking that the occurrence was purely accidental.

THE MOTOR OMNIBUS SERVICE.

LAST evening the directors of the Western India Motor Company, Limited, invited a few friends for an inaugural trip of the new motor omnibus recently imported into Bombay. The driver was Mr. England and the route was chosen with a view to test in every respect the capabilities of the omnibus. Starting from the Apollo Bunder the omnibus proceeded down Esplanade Road to the Market and from there by Esplanade Cross Road, Kalbadevi and Parel Road to Byculla Bridge, and proceeded via the Byculla Club, Duncan Road Bridge, which was easily mounted, Tardeo to the Mahaluxmi Battery where a halt was made for refreshments. From there back to the Apollo Bunder, over Cumballa Hill and along Queen's Road was a matter of a short half hour. Two points were particularly noticeable during the trip, first that although the passengers, eighteen in all, were outside, there was no rocking motion whatever, the feeling was a kind of gliding one. On top of the omnibus no vibration was felt and the engine only made a slight humming noise that was rather pleasant than otherwise. The second point was the ease with which the omnibus circumvented the corners and avoided the traffic in the narrow streets in the bazaar. Along the route above indicated there were several nasty turns especially the one at the top of Queen's road by French Bridge, but the omnibus made no difficulty about it whatever. The passengers were walking and standing on the top all the time. No difficulty was found in descending and ascending the stairs while in motion. Indeed, for smooth running nothing could have surpassed it. It would be difficult to imagine a more pleasant way of spending an evening in Bombay than riding round on top of a motor omnibus of this kind.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

THAT old and favourite divertisement, Harmstob's Circus, has arrived in Bombay and will open to-morrow night on the Maidan. The "sensation" in the programme for this season will be Diavolo's thrilling feat of "looping the loop," in which, as the "Ad." says, the cyclist "skirts the borderland of eternity and nightly shakes dice with death." That is a line which ought to bring Bombay to the Maidan in its thousands. "Diavolo" is not the only "thrill maker" in the show, however, for Harmston's have imported from the world-renowned Bostocks a forest lion monarch, which the programme states is the only live performing lion in the East. It is to be presumed that all the live lions are in America or in Barnum and Bailey's, but it is to be hoped that Captain Lindoo will suffer no more harm from the live lion than from a dead one. Harmston's have a programme packed with good items, and their six weeks' stay in Bombay ought to be the best in their history.

INTENTIONAL INSULT TO A PUBLIC SERVANT.

CONVICTION AND SENTENCE QUASHED.

AT the High Court, Appellate Side, the Hon. Mr Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston have disposed of a reference in a case against one Mallapa Ningappa, who was convicted by Mr. Govind Luxmon Kalkeri, third class Magistrate of Indi in the Bijapur District, of intentional insult to a public servant sitting in a judicial proceeding, and was fined five rupees, or in default to suffer five days' simple imprisonment.

Mr. K. R. Bomonjee, District Magistrate of Bijapur, in making the reference, said the accused was a Kurbar by caste, i.e., a shepherd. He had filed a complaint against one Ningawa and two others for hurt and insult. Ningawa had also filed a cross complaint for the same offiences. On the day of the trial, Malappa presented an application for compounding the case, which he had a right to do, both the offences being compoundable. Ningawa presented a similar application. Judging from the orders passed, Mr. Bamonji remarked, the magistrate seemed to have felt some resentment at Malappa's action, thinking it a waste of his time that a complaint should made and then withdrawn, and seemed to have expressed himself to that effect. On this Malappa replied—"We will do what we like, we have come to an agreement. Why do you ask?" These words, Mr. Bomonjee remarked, were said by the magistrate to have been uttered in an insolent manner, and he fined Malappa Rs. 5, which amount was paid. Mr. Bomonjee was of opinion that the words by themselves could not be construed as an insult. Even if the manner of using them was impolite, the compounding of the complaint was a perfectly legitimate step on the part of Malappa; his application for compounding was unobjectionable; it was done every day and in the end saved time, it ought not to have caused any resentment; and seeing that the man was an ignorant shepherd, he could not have intended offering an insult, and his words and manner, even if they be considered objectionable, were the result of boorishness. Mr. Bomonjee was therefore of opinion that the conviction ought to be set aside and the fine refunded.

Mr. Justice Russell said:—This case is one in which, in the opinion of the Court, a warning and caution to the accused. Malappa Ningappa, would have been sufficient even if the third class magistrate found himself unable to accept the explanation that no insult was intended. The Court therefore sets aside the conviction recorded against and the sentence passed upon the accused, and directs that the fine of rupees five, already recovered, be restored.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

SQUADRON ORDERS BY MAJOR. T. W. CUFFE, A. D. C. COMMANDING.

Bombay, January 10.

It is notified for information that the Annual Inspection of the Corps will take place at Santa Cruz on Wednesday the 21st March.

By Order,
T. W. CUFFE, Major
Commanding B. L. H

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, January 10.

DRILLS.

No 1 Coy—6" BL Gun drill at Colaba North Fort to-morrow Thursday the 11th inst at 9 p m

No 2 Coy—6" B L Gun Drill at Colaba North Fort to-morrow Thursday the 11th instant at 9 15 p m

MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the officers, non commissioned officers and men of No 1 Coy at the B V A Club on Wednesday next the 17th instant at 6-30 p m.

The following members having joined are taken on the strength of the corps and posted to No 1 Co—No 1026 Gr J S Emerson—No 1027 Gr J Welsie.

A Stiffe, Capt R A
Adjut B V A

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D, COMMANDING.

Bombay, January 10.

33. Detail—To-day Wednesday the 10th instant "D" Coy will parade at the back of the Telegraph Quarters at 5 p m Dress-Drill Order plain clothes Subject Infantry Training 1905 sections 76 to 85

II. "A," "C" and "E" Coys will parade at Sir Richard Temple's Statue, at 5-45 p m Dress-Drill order, Subject Infantry Training 1905, sections 76 to 85

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

MR. JUSTICE CHANDAVARKER AT THE SOCIAL CONFERENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—A spirit of wholesale departure breaths round the inaugural address delivered by Mr. Chandavarker at the Social Conference just over. In the body of his address, Mr. Chandavarker, backed by a splendid array of quotations from the Hindu Sacred Books like the Shruti, Smriti, Bhagwatgita, etc., unspleadidly twisted and tortured them into a particular interpretation, which the interpreter wanted to put upon them and to make them fit in with the exigencies of the Social reform movement. When Mr. Chandavarker reserves a prominent place to our Gribyagni by acknowleding it as a very useful and wholesome institution adopted by our ancient Rishis for the mental and spiritual development, it is the twisting and torturing treatment which he inflicts upon some of the words quoted by him in support of his creed. To the Sanatan Dharma of the Aryas he accords the warmest reception, so much so that the cause of the social reform movement is shown to revolve round it and to draw its very life and light from it. In this way Mr. Chandavarker has spread a kind of religious atmosphere round his pet movement in such a successful manner that even an orthodox will be drawn towards it in his unguarded moments. A strategic move no doubt. But in such an attempt he has gone athwart the stand he took in his last year's address. At that time, it seems, he must have been of firm coviction that social reform was not possible on national lines and so he fought for driving it on, on its onward march, along rational lines. Then the evolutionary life was quite extinct in the Sanatan-Dharma which, at time of the recent Conference has only been suffocated by evil customs. Then, there was no hope but by revolution; but fortunately circumstances in Indian life have undergone such a complete change that Mr Chandavarker can now give the assurance of the inherent capacity of the Sanatan-Dharma to advance social reform.

The problem before us is not how the Sanatan-Dharma has been impregnated with such a necessary spark of vital principle this year, but how an ultra-radical reformer should have become such a docile convert as to acknowledge potency in the Sanatan-Dharma all of a sudden. To what a low level in docility or to use Mr. Chandavarker's own words, in sobriety, he descends, can be well gathered from his phraseology. In the latter part of his address he says "There is enough of talk, but the great thing is action, conceived in a spirit of sobriety, self-restraint and self-respect." What power was working to bring about such a change I leave the thoughtful readers to judge for themselves the brightest feature of this year's Conference was the gathering of ladies which is the crow

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THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

THE Tariff Commission continues its exhaustive inquiry into British industries, and the effect on them of foreign competition. No branch of trade is too insignificant. The secrets of each one are being laid bare and the truth stands revealed. The iron trade was first dealt with; then the textile industries, and now we have reports on carpets, lace and hosiery. The carpet trade is one of more importance in England than is generally supposed, and it will surprise many to learn that it has been seriously affected by foreign competition. The evidence shows that the development of the carpet industries of Continental countries, the United States and the Far East has had a most marked effect in restricting the natural expansion of the British industry. Markets which were formerly almost entirely British are now closed to British manufacturers by high tariffs and foreign carpets are being increasingly imported into the British home and colonial markets to the detriment of British trade, though the export of carpets to the colonies is improving under preferential tariffs. The rise in the price of raw materials has been an added adverse influence of great importance. Under these influences and especially the more or less permanent competitive influences the British industry has undergone radical changes in character and organisation. Moreover it is found that weavers leave England every year for the United States where they get steadier employment and higher wages. In other ways the industry is being undermined, and one of the leading carpet manufacturing firms in their evidence before the Commission stated that finding it impossible to export any more ready-made goods, they had established a manufactory in Russia and another in Austria, and they have quite decided, unless something is done to start manufactories in other parts of the Continent. They added that they had received offers to go and manufacture in Canada and have had all sorts of offers made to them, including a reduction of taxation and a grant of free land. They have at present before them an offer to go to the United States, where actually a combination of capitalists have offered to provide half the amount of the capital required to start a new manufactory. It is proved beyond dispute that not only is the English carpet industry being forced by hostile foreign tariffs out of the export markets, but that the home market is being invaded by foreign carpets to an increasing extent.

In regard to lace it is shown that the curtain trade has almost disappeared from Nottingham. The plain net trade still holds its own largely because it is very intricate and technical, but German manufacturers are making rapid progress in the manufacture, to enable them to displace the British plain net trade. In the fancy trade there is very severe competition in the commoner grades of goods from many of the European centres, but the finer classes of goods had not so far been seriously menaced. Some witnesses stated that the last mentioned branch of the trade in which they are engaged has actually increased, fashion being in its favour at the present time. The causes to which the decline is attributed are the development of the lace industry in foreign countries, which has deprived British manufacturers of important branches of the export trade which were formerly in their hands and the rapid development of competition in the British home market. The most severe competition is of German origin, whole districts in that country being continuously employed in making for the English market, while Saxony laces are habitually stitched on to plain net made in Nottingham. Canada gives England preferential rates and German competition has been scotched there, but even now the Germans buy sample lengths of English lace, and copying the designs, register them in Germany and fill the bulk of their orders with their own manufactures. France is also a competitor. Supplied with machines from England, the French manufacturer has already secured a large trade with England, while the importation of lace made in Switzerland has reached such a point that, coupled with the French and German importations, it is declared to be a very serious standing menace and handicap to the principal trade of Nottingham. The United States is taking over our machinery and workmen is although the trade there is still in an early stage of development, it is making startling progress. Markets are thus being closed to British lace manufacturers while their own are being glutted by foreign-made goods dumped down at any price they will fetch.

The hosiery industry is restricted by foreign competition. Continental markets are lost, and witnesses do not think that any reciprocal treatment or any reduction of Continental tariffs would keep them to do business in those markets. They are self-supplied and the time has gone by for another chance of recovering the trade. The foreigner now produces more goods than he requires for his own purposes. Germany again is the most severe competitior. All classes of cotton hosiery are now mostly imported from Saxony and France, whereas twenty years ago there was a good trade with London warehousemen in these goods. Germany, according to one firm of manufacturers, is "slowly but surely improving her position with regard to Cashmere goods, but, at present, the English finish is generally preferred. We believe, however, that this difference will soon be overcome, and that a large share of this valuable branch of the hosiery trade will soon go to Germany." In the words of another: "We are being gradually swamped year by year by German and recently by American dumping. When trade is good in their own country there is a scarcity of foreign goods; when trade is bad they still keep their factories running so as not to disorganise their work, and dump the surplus here; they get practically any price they like in their own countries." Foreign competition in the colonies is increasing, not only with the foreigner, but with the English merchant whose patriotism sinks before his desire to make money and who re-exports German dumped goods bearing the legend "Made in England." German competition in hosiery and under-clothing generally is complained of in all the colonies. In the Crown colonies British novelties are copied as soon as they are found to be suitable to the market and imitations are produced by German manufacturers at lower prices, the imitator going so far as to stamp British trademarks on his goods. We do not make this statement on our own authority, but on that of a celebrated firm of hosiery-makers who gave evidence before the Commission. Canada puts a surtax on German goods and the result has been to keep genuine articles in the market. But the outcome of foreign hosiery importations into England has been to take from British manufacturers much of the trade in plain goods and to leave them with fancies and novelties and specialities. Precisely the same was found in the textile industries and, although in all branches of trade it has been proved to demonstration that foreign competition, subsidised and in many cases fraudulent, is destroying British manufactures; that foreign factories are kept going whilst British are closed, and skilled workmen are unemployed, there are Britishers so blind to their own interests as to oppose proposals of tariff reform and to denounce Mr. Chamberlain as Judas Iscariot.

PROTESTANTS AND HOME RULE.

MR. JOHN REDMOND'S speech at Belfast, where he claimed protection of Irish Protestants under Home Rule, will be received by those whom it most closely concerns at its real value. Mr. Redmond has spoken exactly two years too late. Had he expressed these views when the Catholic Association was starting its campaign he might have been taken as holding views acceptable to Protestants; but he has allowed that Association to work without raising his voice until the time comes to catch votes for his Party. It is hard to say whether he is to be despised or admired for his insincerity. The ordinary politician is accustomed to make many promises which have little chance of being kept by him, but, from the fact that he gives his verbal support to a cause for some years, it gains a certain amount of favour in other quarters. Mr. Redmond follows the opposite course. He flouts the common sense of those whom he wishes to win over and throws them a palpable falsehood as compensation for the allegiance he craves. In some ways his may be the more honest method, for no one can think but that his promise is worthless. Yet we hardly can give Mr. Redmond credit for so much moral consideration. Not only did he hope to gain a few votes from the unwary Ulsterman, but by delivering his speech in the most loyal part of Ireland seems to have had hopes of convincing a certain section of the English public which is so lamentably ignorant of Irish why's and wherefore's. Also he spoke at a time when many Irish Protestant Clergymen have to move under police protection because of their religion. No Irish Protestant can forget the support which has been given by the Catholic Association to the suppression of Protestantism in the country. It is a body started with avowed aversion to Protestants whom it wishes to crush and its handbook stated in the clearest language that it was the duty of Irish Catholics to boycott Protestant traders, particularly when the greater part of the employment was not given to Catholics. It even went further than this and stated that Catholic traders should start in opposition in every town where a Protestant trader had a field without religious born competition. Only under the compulsion of the most severe criticism did Archbishop Walsh of Dublin withdraw his blessing from the Association. The handbook was withdrawn and in its place a regular mission started to carry out the ideas, which the book had inculcated, with such success that in many districts Protestants are unable to find employment of any sort. If this state of affairs exists under the present regime there is little doubt that they will be in worse plight should Ireland be governed from College Green. It is not to be wondered at therefore that Ulster has treated Mr. Redmond's assurances with contempt.. It is unfortunate that religious matters should take this prominent part in a modern political question, but as long as the illiterate Irish Catholic, led by unscrupulous politicians, feels it his duty to drive every Protestant out of Ireland, it is bound to take a prominence which prevents it being ignored by those who, while unwilling to grant Home Rule, are in no way averse to the consideration of a modified regime.

ISOLATION OF WIRELESS TELEGRAPHS.

WE learn from "Continental Correspondence" that wireless telegraphy is adopted in the most unlikely places. For instance, in the primeval forests of Peru it keeps up communications between distant stations. It would be well-nigh impossible to maintain telegraph poles in those wilds, and it would in any case be prohibitively expensive. On the North African Coast, the French have connected Rhodes Island with the coast station of Deruah, 450 miles away, by wireless telegraphy. The other day, Count Arco set up, in the hall of the Berlin Military Academy, six small experimental stations, to show that the close neighbourhood of different wireless installations does not interfere with their utility. He sent messages backwards and forwards between these six stations, without the others receiving the messages or being in any way disturbed by their transmission. The conditions in the hall were the most unfavourable possible for the experiment, for the stations were in closer proximity than they ever would be in normal circumstances. The hope of Count Arco and all military advocates of wireless telegraphy is that it may become of immense use in war. Temporary equipments are now easily procured and installed in places where experiments of anykind are being made.

LORD MINTO entertained the members of the polo teams at dinner at Government House, on Monday night.

THE Viceroy and Lady Minto a attended the 15th Hussars Gymkhana at Calcutta yesterday.

THE Supreme Legislative Council which was fixed od next Friday has been postponed till the 19th instant by order of the Viceroy.

THE approximate statement of Traffic of the Barsi Light Railway Company, Limited, (21·59 miles open) for the eight days ending 31st December 1905, amounted to Rs. 3,013, being a decrease of Rs 1,921 on the corresponding week of last year. Total earnings from 1st January to 31st December were Rs. 2,14,885, being an increase of Rs. 53,813 on the corresponding period of last year.

THE Government of Eastern Bengal and Assam notify that a survey will shortly be made for a line of railway from Netrokona to Lengar Bazaar in Assam, passing through the districts of Mymensingh, Sylhet and the Khasia Hills. This line is apparently part of a scheme to connect Dacca with Shillong and so give direct connection between the two headquarters of the new Province. The present routes are somewhat circuitous, since Shillong can only be reached by rail via Naraingani, Chandpur and Gauhati, or by steamer from Jagarnathganj to Gauhati, and thence by tonga to Shillong.

LORD CURZON has already arranged with Messrs. Macmillan, the publishers, for the bringing out of the speeches of his Viceroyalty in collected form. The speeches, it appears, will be grouped according to their subjects, and will thus in the language of the prospectus "constitute a handbook to Indian politics and administration, more complete, more accurate, and more authoritative than any work that is in existence." Lord Curzon has secured as his editor Sir Thomas Raleigh who is described as having "served for five years under Lord Curzon as Legal Member of Council," and who is to supply a general introduction dealing with Lord Curzon's administration, and prefaces to the different speeches. This prospectus, at any rate, can hardly have been written by Sir Thomas Raleigh, who must be aware that a Member of the Government of India is not supposed to serve "under" anybody.

THE Milan Exhibition will have an interesting international department for vegetables, flowers and fruit, and the promoters have decided that this new departure will inaugurate the establishment of a permanent horticultural display. Numerous prizes are offered for ornamental plants, designs for garden beds, and for tree nurseries. This year's programme for the exhibition of general garden produce is divided into periods. Certain days in June are devoted to fruit and vegetables, for which twenty-six prizes are provided; in September, fifteen awards fall to the best fruit. Early in October, vegetables take eighteen prizes. Chrysanthemums will be judged during the last ten days of the same month competing for twenty-four awards. The value of the prizes, among which are a number of medals and diplomas, amounts to over twenty-one thousand lire or £850.

THE Bombay Art Society which is now in its nineteenth year has decided to go in for a new departure. Up to the present fifteen exhibition of picture and other works of art have been held, but the committee have decided to held, during the present season, two or more conversatziones in place of the usual exhibition. These will take place in February and March. Papers will be read upon subjects interesting to artists and Collectors, Photographs taken by members and their friends will be shown and accompanied by lantern demonstrations, private collections of ancient and modern works will be exhibited, and sketches by members and others will be on view. It is hoped, by this means, that all who are interested in Art, whether they be workers in any of its branches or not, will be brought together, and that these Reunions will afford an opportunity for the exchange of ideas and will strengthen the Society by adding to the number of its members, and thereby increasing its influence, whenever questions of Art come before the public. It is also proposed to publish some of the papers read before the Society together with other contributions dealing with Art and Allied Subjects in an Annual Volume of Proceedings.

IT is stated at Dover that seventy torpedo craft will have their headquarters in the naval harbour as soon as the southern breakwater is completed.

MR. GARDINER, of Caius College, Cambridge, has completed, on board his Majesty's surveying ship Sealark, his scientific mission in the Indian Ocean on behalf of the Royal Society. It is expected that most important marine results have been obtained.

A PATHETIC fantasia telling of a Blind Lady and some Soul Children—which appeared in one of the English magazines some months ago, has been republished in a daintily bound, beautifully illustrated volume by Messrs. Macmillan and Co. Those who read it and admired its fragrant charm and pathos will be glad to treasure it in this permanent form.

THE following Christmas "waits" story comes from a Jewish correspondent, who declares that it is true:—Outside a house in a somewhat depressing street a trio of juvenile waits took their stand and commenced, each in his own key, to sing "Christians Awake." Suddenly the door of the house opened, and a figure loomed in the opening. The waits ceased their singing and stood expectant. Then came a rasping voice from the doorway, Go vay, ve 'aven't gone to ped yet. Pesides, ve're all Jews in dis house."

REAR-ADMIRAL KING-HALL has been permitted to make public the following letter from Lord Knollys, written in October 1902:—"His Majesty is afraid that it would be difficult to make any public announcement that he considers his health can be as loyally drunk in water as in wine. The King commands me, however, to say that you are authorised to make it known privately, and in any way you think best, and that you are authorised to state that total abstainers can always drink his health in some non-alcoholic drink to his entire satisfaction."

GENEALOGISTS devoted themselves with enthusiasm upon the formation of Lord Salisbury's last Cabinet, to proving him a Welshman. With Mr. Lloyd George in the new one, the representation of the principality is clear as the noonday sun. But Wales loses a representative in the Lord Chancellor. That, at any rate, is to be deduced from a story concerning Lord Halsbury. When he was leader of the South Wales circuit he fought with intense enthusiasm for a certain public authority, and caused amusement by the way in which he identified himself with the interests of the locality. Come, said one of the judges, good-humouredly, you must not argue too much in that strain "you cannot make yourself out to be a Welshman you know." Perhaps not readily replied the future Lord Chancellor, but I have made a good deal of money out of Welshmen in my time. Oh in that case said the judge we may call you a Welshman by extraction."

A FINNISH WEDDING.

IT is no light undertaking to get married in Karelem. Quietly, at such-and-such a church, would be an announcement without meaning in Karelem, the most eastern county in Finland. A marriage there is really a tremendous function. In Karelem they are a proud peasant aristocracy, corresponding more or less to our old yeomen, both men and women are very handsome and very intelligent. Formerly they rarely married outside their own class and their own county, but with the coming of railways into the country this is no onger so universal as it was.

Marriages are arranged by the respective parents. When the bridegroom's father has fixed upon a wife for his son two friends of the bridegroom are called in to commence the negotiations. These two drive off to the house of the bride's father in a sleigh drawn by a particularly fine horse (for the people of Karelem are noted drivers, and are proud of their horses). To the horse are attached many bells, and the two men are wrapped round in a rug woven in the old pattern of Finnish weaving, so that when they drive up the purpose of their coming is immediately known. On entering the house they are given tea or coffee, and then they talk about the whether and any topic rather than their real object. It is the rule of the game, and must be strictly carried through. After a while the two friends of the bridegroom will say to the girl's father, "We have heard that you have such a pretty sow to sell. Will you sell it to us?" (For a cow is an indespensable part of the bride's trousseau and if a poor family have only one cow they must lose their daughter have it.) Then if the father is willing to marry his daughter he replies "Yes, I have; but my cow is so pretty and so expensive that you cannot pay for it." How much, then, is your cow?" "One (or two) thousand marks." The bride's father, of course, does not expect to get this sum, and after some chaffering, which is also "the rigour of the game," he comes down to, say, 100 marks, and this money which is promptly paid over by the bridegroom's friends, is spent by the bride in buying presents for the bridegroom and his relations. The bride now is considered as engaged, and she goes out and calls upon her friends and relations, asking for "Toivikki appu," i.e. bride's aid, help. And all the presents she then gets—and they are very substantial and take the form of money, sheep, calves, and so on,—belong, when she is married, to her alone. Her husband has no control over them whatever.

On the evening before the wedding, or some time earlier, is held the Tupakaiset, or farewell feast, given by the bride's parents, and on this occasion she gives to the bridegroom and his relatives the presents which she has bought with the money paid for the cow. Then comes the wedding itself, which is divided into three parts. First there is the wedding in the church. This is a quite ceremony, and is not much thought of. So that when one friend commented upon the childlessness of a certain couple another replied, "Well what can you expect, seeing that they were only married in church?" The real wedding takes place in the two respective homes. First the parents of the bride give a party, and to this party are invited the relations and friends of the bride and the two "best men," but no relatives of the bridegroom. This ceremony may last perhaps for three days, and there will be a certain amount of dancing and a greater amount of eating. A special room or, if she is rich, two or three special rooms are set aside to show off the bride's trousseau and in these rooms you will see quantities of silk shawls which the Finnish girls wear instead of hats—as Lancashire girls used to—two or three thousand pairs of stockings hung up, row after row, upon poles stretched across the room and thirty or forty dresses, besides many other present. For the Finnish mother sets to work at making her daughter's trousseau immediately she is born. The dresses are all made of one uniform loose pattern, so that they will fit the girl equally well (or, as we should think, equally ill) whether she grows up to be stout or slender. During the meal times a number of speeches are made. The speeches are the thing. They are spoken in the most poetical language, and are chiefly concerned with flowers, the sunshine, and the birds—the birds especially playing a great part in Finnish lovers' language. The bride is told what a lovely home she has had, how kind her parents have been to her, how she has been spoilt by all her relations, and that now she is going away and is to become her husband's most humble servant. The sunshine must never find her still lying abed, and her duty is to make her husband's home always bright and happy for him. The bridegroom also in his turn is bidden remember that she is a poor, weak thing who is leaving her happy home, and that henceforth she will look to him alone to be her protector. And so on. Each speaker in turn tries to outdo his predecessor in beauty of language and sentiments. At last it is time for the bride to leave her home, and as she goes her departure is lamented by women weepers, who are regularly engaged on these occasions, as also for funerals. The professional weepers are an old survival of the days when men stole their wives by force, and the tradition comes out also at the next ceremony (the "third" marriage), in the house of the bridegroom, to which the bride's parents and relations are not invited, and which is kept only by the bridegroom's family and the two "best men." The bride takes her trousseau with her in carts, and then the wedding is again celebrated in the same way as in the bride's home.

Often, of course, the bride and bridegroom are actually lovers, but in many cases they are unknown to each other. Any engagement not made by the parents is not considered binding, and may be broken off by either party. But if after the formal engagement a girl should break off the match she has then to give back the money paid over for the cow, and also pay damages as well. Instances of the bridegroom breaking of the engagement are very rare, and, indeed, almost unknown.

A passing mention was made to the professional women weepers. Thirty or forty years ago these weepers were to be found at every marriage and funeral, but they are gradually dying out. On these occasions they sing improvised songs, based very often upon the regular runes of the country, and as they sing one may see genuine tears trickling down behind their hands, which they hold up before their faces. The Finnish runes, of course, are famous. The Kalevala, the great Finnish epic poem, is in the form of these old runes, and expresses more clearly and beautifully than anything else the spirit of this poetical people. But the runes deal with old heathen mythology, and because of these traditions the clergy are opposed to them. But none the less they are still sung by the old men and women, and are handed down as all folk-songs have been, and as the Homeric poems were handed down by the old Greek rhapsodists. It is a most curious sight to see an old grandfather teaching his grandchild. The two sit down opposite to one another, and then, linking their hands together and swaying to and fro, the teacher will sing a line or two first and then his pupil will repeat it after him. A good parallel can be found in the way the little Arab boys bend backwards and forwards while they learn the Koran by heart, as any visitor to Egypt must have noticed over and over again. In each case the swaying of the body is looked upon as an aid to the memory. And judged by results, the method is effective. The runes are innocent enough. Why should the clergy show this narrow-minded pedantry?

THE mystery of Fiona Macleod recalls the fact that not a few writers have, for varied reasons, sought literary recognition under two or more names. Grant Allen had perhaps one of the most curious experiences in this connection. He had been writing scientific articles under his own name—few could make such things so fascinating as he—and also short stories under the "nom de plume" of J. Arbuthnot Wilson. One day he received two letters, both from James Payn, then editing the "Cornhill," one addressed to him under his own name regretting inability to publish his scientific papers, and the other addressed to him as J. Arbuthnot Wilson, Esq., accepting one of his stories and asking for more? Antony Trollope, too, sought, but with little success, to test his literary fame by publishing one or two of his novels without his name.

PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED.

CHINESE LABOUR A BURNING QUESTION.

PROBABLE DATES OF THE CAMPAIGN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JAN. 8.

The King signed the dissolution of Parliament, this afternoon.

It is expected that the Borough elections will finish on the 17th instant, and the Counties on the 27th instant.

LONDON, JAN. 9.

All the leaders of both sides were speaking last night—the fiscal and Chinese labour questions being the chief topics dealt with. Home Rule was also generally mentioned.

The precautions, which were taken against any display of rowdyism, secured the principal speakers a hearing, but Mr. Gerald Balfour at Leeds and Mr. Arnold Forster at Croydon were shouted down.

A thousand stewards quelled the interruptions when John Burns was speaking at Derby.

Mr. Balfour at Manchester dealt lengthily with the Chinese labour question and declared that the Liberals did not intend and dare not alter the system.

Mr. Chamberlain at Birmingham expounded the fiscal question.

THE MOROCCO QUESTION.

Germany Issues a White

THE FEELING OF THE POWERS.

LONDON, JAN. 8.

The French Press asks, in view of the apparent intention of most of the Powers to support France in Morocco, whether Germany is prepared to alienate the opinion of the world.

It is believed that Germany has been sounding the Powers on the subject of an international police for Morocco.

LONDON, JAN. 9.

A German White Book on Morocco has been issued which bears evidence of being carefully compiled rather for the purpose of establishing Germany's standpoint than retorting to the French Yellow Book. It shows that the Sultan emphatically assured the German representative that France was claiming to be mandatory of Europe. It adduces various facts tending to prove the contention that French reform schemes implied complete French control over Morocco.

Prince Buelow maintains that Germany in demanding a conference defends the interest of all the Powers.

The Press commenting on the White Book considers an amicable solution probable, though doubts are expressed regarding German designs on the Atlantic Coast.

Sir Charles Dilke speaking at Westminster, referring to Morocco, emphatically declared there was no danger of war.

ANGLO-GERMAN RELATIONS.

LONDON, JAN. 8.

Meetings continue to be held in Germany in favour of friendly relations with Great Britain.

THE UNREST IN RUSSIA.

Repression of Armenians.

LONDON, JAN. 8.

The force sent to Windau has arrested the local Socialist Committee. Three of the ringleaders were killed in attempting to escape.

LONDON, JAN. 9.

An official statement issued at St Petersburg accuses the Armenians of being responsible for the bloodshed in the Caucasus and announces vigorous repressive measures and supersession of the Viceroy Prince Dashkoff.

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

Another Manchurian Agreement Wanted.

LONDON, JAN. 8.

Reuter Peking says that China is negotiating with Russia for a fresh Northern Manchurian agreement.

FIGHTING IN ARABIA.

Turkish Troops Repelled.

The Turkish troops have received a check in Yemen, and been compelled to retreat on Omran, where they await 8,000 reinforcements.

LORD RITCHIE STRUCK WITH PARALYSIS.

LONDON, JAN. 9.

Lord Ritchie has had a paralytic stroke at Biarritz.

FRENCH ELECTIONS.

Socialists Beaten.

In the triennial elections for the French Senate, M. Jaures, the socialist, and his colleagues have been badly beaten.

AMERICAN CURRENCY REFORM.

Bill to be Introduced.

A despatch from Washington says that a Bill for reform in the Currency is to be introduced.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHARING CROSS ACCIDENT.

Conclusion of the Inquest.

LONDON, JAN. 8.

The inquest on the victims of the Charing Cross station accident has been concluded. A verdict of accidental death has been found and the railway is not considered blameable.

Sir Benjamin Baker stated that the flaw in one of the tie rods was due to a bad weld and advised the removal of the remainder of the old roof, and the erection of a new one.

LORD KITCHENER'S SCHEME.

DETAILS SENT HOME.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 9.

The "Indian Daily News" understands that the details and business rules of the Army Re-organisation Scheme have been sent Home for approval.

THE CALCUTTA HEALTH OFFICER.

CRITICS ANSWERED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 9.

At the close of the ordinary meeting of the Calcutta Corporation, to-morrow, a special meeting, called at the requisition of certain Commissioners, will be held to re-consider the question of terminating Dr. Nield Cook's appointment as Health Officer. A detailed answer by Dr. Cook to his critics is published here to-day.

A SEQUEL TO THE VICEROY'S CUP RACE.

FOUR EUROPEANS CHARGED WITH ROBBERY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 9.

The hearing commenced in the Police Court here to-day of the case in which four Europeans, Jordon, Cuhen, White and Simmons are charged with robbing one Ahmed Sheriff, a Bombay merchant, as he was returning to his quarters with his winnings after the Viceroy's Cup race. It is alleged that the accused enticed complainant into a ticca gharry after standing him a drink and then snatched from him his watch and a bundle of notes of the value of three hundred and forty rupees. The accused called the police who eventually arrested the accused and obtained the parcel of notes said to be those carried off.

HYDERADAD OFFICIAL RETIRES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, JAN. 8.

Mr. Dossabhoy Nusserwanjee Chinoy, the well-known Private Secretary of Sir Osman Jah of Hyderabad, retires from office after a distinguished career. H. H. the Nizam of Hyderabad has been graciously pleased to bestow a liberal pension on Mr. Chinoy in addition to a jaghir which was settled on him by the late Nizam, with whom he had also served. An eye complaint compels the retirement of Mr. Chinoy. It is his intention to avail himself of the best medical aid available in England, for which country he will start as soon as he can be relieved of his duties, Mr. Dossabhoy rendered meritorious service to the Hyderabad State when he, with General Glassford, scientifically surveyed and fixed the valuation of lands which resulted in an enormous increase of revenue to the State.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

IRISH VIEWS ON PREMIER'S SPEECH.

PLEDGED TO HOME RULE.

London, December 23rd.—The Irish Nationalists accept Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's recent pronouncement in regard to the future administration of Ireland as a definite pledge of the Government's intention to forward the Home Rule movement.

A NEW LINE OF STEAMERS.

SCHEME AFOOT AT CARDIFF.

London, December 23rd.—The "Daily Telegraph" states that a scheme is afoot at Cardiff, for establishing a new line of steamers. Tenders have been invited for six 15,000 ton vessels, all of which are to be fitted with turbine engines.

The outlay contemplated in connection with the scheme is upwards of £1,000,000.

ARRESTED AS A SPY.

A HONG-KONG MERCHANT'S STORY.

London, December 23rd.—Mr. Joseph Geddes, a merchant of Hong-Kong, who recently arrived in England, has addressed a petition to the British Foreign Office, praying that it will obtain for him redress for his imprisonment as a spy in Manchuria.

The Russians arrested him at Mukden, where he was confined in the prison for six months, and where he was frequently told he would be shot the next day.

He was then sent in rags to Warsaw, where he succeeded in smuggling a letter to the British Consul, who obtained his release.

THE NEW ZEALANDERS IN WALES.

ANOTHER CLOSELY-CONTESTED MATCH.

London, December 23rd.—The New Zealand team of Rugby footballers, in a match to-day against Newport, scored another victory. The contest was witnessed by 15,000 spectators. The weather was dull, and the ground was in good condition.

Newport started weakly. Harper, for New Zealand, soon outran the home team backs, and scored a try, which, however, Wallace failed to convert, but subsequently placed a goal from a penalty kick. The Newport team now showed improved play, and nearly scored, the play continuing very even till half-time. There was a keen fight in the second half. Griffiths ultimately dropped a splendid penalty goal, after which the New Zealanders played a defensive game.

The final scores were :—New Zealand, one penalty goal and one try ; Newport, one penalty goal.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

QUIET DEPARTURE FROM CALCUTTA.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 9.

Their Royal Highnesses left Calcutta privately this morning as arranged. The Viceroy and Lady Minto, with a small party from Government House, went on board the steamer "Guide" at ten o'clock to bid Their Royal Highnesses farewell, and at 10-45 the "Guide" steamed down the river, with the Royal Standard at the fore, conveying the Royal Party to H. M. S. Renown which awaits them at the mouth of the river.

THE BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

"VERONIQUE."

"Veronique" occupied the Bandmann Company at the Novelty Theatre last evening. It was well played, but it is inferior as a comic opera to almost any other play of its kind. Miss Georgie Cor lass played with her usual chic as 'Veronique, and Mr. Harry Cole, the inimitable "funnyman" of the Company, was as funny as the lines would allow him to be. He helped the piece out with plenty of gag, and managed to raise a few laughs, but Veronique wants a lot of gag to make it even passable. Mr. Ernest Attwell as Florestan de Valiancourt was better than usual. He makes a very fair lover when he has no songs. Mr. Mark Lester as Seraphin was as good as he always is ; and Miss Nellie Pemberton as Aunt Benoit was excellent. Pretty Miss Karkeek was charming as Agatha and deserved the appreciation which she received. The plot of Veronique has not a tissue of originality about it so that it need not be recounted. The general mounting of the piece was quite up to the Bandmann standard.

It was well on towards the small hours when the curtain was finally rung down on Monday evening, on the best performance which has yet been given by the Bandmann Opera Company. The "Spring Chicken" has a certain amount of plot, but it is of little consequence in the progress of the play, and one quite forgets it in the whirl of dances and songs. One of the chief reasons that the play goes with a better swing than some of its predecessors is that the "business" is more equally divided amongst the players. Miss Georgie Corlass as the Breton maid Rosalie never wasted a moment, when she was on the stage, and her songs "I thought I'd come to Paris for a change." "Alice sit by the Fire" and "Zaza" were of the best. Mrs. Girdle, well-played by Miss Karkeek, sang a distinctly popular ditty "Well I Guess" and deserved the repeated encores which she received. Mr. Harry Cole as Mr. Girdle was most excellent, of course cracking jokes throughout and doing it uncommonly well, his best song being in company with Mr. Attwell, as Gustave Babori. Miss Nora Morra made a dainty Baroness Papouche, her most successful song being. "Oh, so gently." These are only a few of the charming numbers with which the play abounds. Pretty dresses and scenery combined to put the audience in the best humour and one must not forget the chorus which gave a better account of itself than many that are to be heard in English provincial theatres.

STANDARD TIME.

UNIFORMITY WANTED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Can you not use your immense influence to persuade our Civic Fathers to fall into line with the leading cities and towns to adopt the Standard time for all India especially in this enlightened twentieth century. At present the city is put to endless inconvenience by the Municipal clocks putting on one time, while the Railways and Government offices put on another time which is not only annoying but most trying to the people. We expect the leading Municipal city in India to set a better example, and it is earnestly hoped that the "Father" of our Civic Fathers will not stand in the way of the city's progress and adopt the Standard time for uniformity's sake at least and thus remove the annoying daily inconvenience. The Municipality must in the long run follow the Government instead of opposing them, for such is really the case.

OBSERVER.

SAILANA NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SAILAINA, JAN. 6.

THE Honourable Colonel Colvin the Agent to the Governor General in Rajputana arrived here this morning from Namli en route to Banswara. He was received with due honours at a place about two miles from Sailana by his Highness Sir Jasvantsingji Bahadur K. C. I. E., the Raja Sahib, H. H. Dulipsingji Sahib, the Heir-apparent, and Pandit Rajkisnonji Sahib, the Dewan, and escorted to the Camp pitched near the Dak Bungalow in the midst of beautiful grooves of trees between two public roads. The guard of honour was formed by the local armed force and a salute of thirteen guns was fired from the State saluting battery. His Highness Dalipsingji Sahib and the second Prince Bharatsingji Sahib are to return to Ajmer Mayo College about the 15th instant after the Christmas Vacation.

DEPARTURE OF THE TRANSPORT PLASSY.

THE hired Transport Plassy, under the command of Captain E. K. Dowell, will sail to-day for Southampton with details consisting of 49 officers, 24 ladies and 16 children. 8 warrant officers, 9 women and 15 children, 819 non-commissioned officers and men in health, 24 women and 52 children, 87 men ordinary invalid, 6 women and 5 children, 70 men (cot cases) and 4 women. The following are the names of the officers :—

Col and Mrs V C Lysons and 2 children, Staff
Lieut-Col F H Moltiff R A M C
Maj T D Kirkpatrick, York Regt
Maj C H Melville, R A M C
Maj and Mrs W C Poole and 2 children, R A M C
Maj and Mrs E M Lachlan, R F A
Maj and Mrs McArthur, K O S B
Maj and Mrs Blackmey, 3rd Horse
Maj and Mrs E S Dunstervill H R E
Maj and Mrs A B Fox, Som L I
Maj O B Minogne, W York Regt
Chief Engr and Mrs B C Bunyee and 3 children R I Marine
Capt and Mrs Burnett Woodman, V R O
Capt Marsh, Lincolns
Capt C C Cobbe, The Buffs
Capt T T Gresson, Y and L Regt
Capt W W Fagam, E Surrey
Capt Barnes, 4th Hussars
Capt W C Symon, L R H A
Capt and Mrs J G Beatty, 9th Hodson Horse
Capt Hankey, K R Rifles
Capt and Mrs W L Cotton, 98th Inft
Capt F Stapleton, O L I
Capt A E Hamerton, R A M C
Capt J M Cuthbert, R A M C
Capt A F Weston, R A M C
Capt H K Woods, So Lancash
Capt A Mellor, R F A
Lieut C R Wilkington, 52nd Sikhs
Lieut H G Burges, Short Som L I
Lieut M B Savage, S Stafford
Lieut R D Baker, E Lanc
Lieut A R S Tale-Hill, Som L I
Lieut and Mrs J Birch 2 children, Yorks Lanc
Lieut W B Tugwell, 121 Pioneers
Lieut J S Hutchinson, G Rifles
Lieut W G Neale, 111 Inft
Lieut L A F Cane, Ean Regt
Lieut C T Davis, 107 Pioneers
2nd Lt H S Turnbull, 97 Rifles
2nd Lt A M Stapyiton, N Stafford
2nd Lt Haralton, Con Rangers
2nd Lt T E Darie, R F A
2nd Lt Lucas B Scots
Wife of Maj J T Daly I M S
Wife of C R M Green and 3 children, I M S
Wife of Capt B S T J Clarkson and child, Dorset Regt
Wife of Capt M C Beatty and infant, R A M S
Wife of Capt Dalrymple-Hay and child, 2-6 G Rifles
Son of Capt Mason, I R List
Widow of Capt Mullaby, B E
Wife of Lieut G 31 Dunbar, 51 Paujabis
Wife of St A B C McDowell, Yorks
Miss W M Aldridge, A M S
Wife of Assist Comy C E Donadson, Misc List
Wife of Lt T H H Hand and daughter, R I M
Wife of Capt A Roberts, 95 R Inft
Lieut R J Chadwick, 9th Lancers
Lieut H B Ward, 2 R I Fus

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BABU PANALAL JAIN HIGH SCHOOL.

OPENING CEREMONY BY THE GOVERNOR.

THE opening ceremony of the Babu Panalal Pooranchand Jain High School and Dispensary took place yesterday afternoon in Mombadevi Tank Road, when the site was handsomely decorated with bunting, flags and festoons, and a band discoursed a programme of selections while the large gathering of friends of the institution were assembling. Huge crowds of natives were gathered outside the tent which had been erected for the purpose of the ceremony, while all the windows on the Governor's route were thronged with sightseers. The arrival of his Excellency was heralded by loud cheers all along the line, and at the entrance to the shamiana Lord Lamington was received by Messrs. Jivanlal Pannalal, Bhagwanlal Pannalal, and Mohanlal Pannalal, the three sons of the donor of the school and dispensary, and the co-trustees, who conducted his Excellency to the platform. The Governor was accompanied by Captain Yarr. They being seated Mr. Jivanlal read an address of welcome to his Excellency, which ran as follows :—

Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen,—It is, indeed, a source of sincere gratification and pride to us, of the Jain community, that we have been able to secure the head of the Government to perform the function of this evening, and I am not indulging in mere conventionality, when I say that your Excellency has laid the community under the deepest obligation, by so readily and graciously accepting our invitation to perform the opening ceremony of the stately building that we see before us. My lord, before I formally request your Excellency, on behalf of myself and the co-trustees, to proceed with the ceremony of this evening, for which we are all assembled here to-day, it would not be, I believe, out of place, if I attempted to give a short resume of the circumstances under which the building has come into existence. It is now exactly seven years since, my late lamented father, Babu Pannalal Poorranchand, bequeathed for charitable purposes a sum of Rs. 8,00,000, which with the interest so cumulated since, now amounts to Rs. 9,08,000. The bulk, of this donation he set apart for the establishment and maintenance of a high school and a charitable dispensary, to which the Jains are to be admitted free of charge, and in the event of sufficient accommodation being available, it is intended to extend the benefit of the former institution to boys from other Hindu communities as well. My father saw that the Jain community now numbering about 15 lakhs in India, which could boast of an ancient and rich literature, a noble religion, a sublime architecture—evidences of which are still to be seen in the stately and beautiful temples scattered over the whole of India—the admiration of the world—he saw that the Jain community had fallen in recent years from its glorious and enviable past, and had been lagging behind in the race of life, while the other Indian communities had been, under the ægis of the benign British Government, marching onward to take their place beside the progressive nations of the world. He attempted to probe the causes of this deterioration to the bottom, and found that ignorance—indifference to education and enlightenment, was the principal factor that operated to the injury of the community. He perceived that, for raising his co-religionists in the scale of intellectual and moral progress, and enabling them to march alongside the other Indian Communities, it was absolutely necessary for their educational system to fall into line with the approved educational systems of modern times.

Thus it was that he conceived the idea of founding an English high school to impart instruction on Western lines for the benefit of his co-religionists. Charity in India, as your Excellency is well aware, is not infrequently regulated more by religious than social or humanitarian considerations, and is generally doled out with a view to the acquisition of religious merit. But the dispensation of what may be termed reproductive charity and the introduction into it of a larger element of the humanitarian spirit was the particular object of my father's solicitude. Material wealth, say our poets of old, when given away to others, suffers proportionate diminution, while intellectual wealth, they add, multiplies itself under the very same conditions, and like mercy, blesseth him that giveth and him that receiveth.

Inspired by such ideas as these, and convinced of the imperative necessity of providing educational facilities for the members of his community, my father bethought himself, while not wholly willing to depart from the conservative grooves, of striking out a new and untrodden path for whatever he could spare from his well-earned wealth. Thus out of Rs. 8,00,000, that he desired to devote to charitable purposes, he set apart a special sum of Rs. 4,00,000 for the founding and up-keeping of a high school and the imposing edifice that awaits its opening at your Excellency's hands this evening, is the result. I am sure I have your Excellency's fullest sympathy in my pious wish that the donor were spared, to witness in body the practical realisation of his heart's most cherished desire, and also to request your Excellency in person to do what I am presently going to request your Excellency to do.

Out of the 4 lakhs of rupees, thus set apart, with the accumulated interest thereon now amounting to Rs. 50,000, 2 lakhs have been already expended on the acquisition of the ground, and the construction of the building, leaving a balance of Rs 2,50,000 as a permanent fund for the up-keep of the Institution. The school premises are designed to accommodate 300 boys, and the maintenance charges are estimated to amount to about Rs. 10,000 annually, which is expected to be covered by the interest on the permanent fund of Rs. 2,00,000 and Rs. 50,000 already realised as interest.

My lord, the principal object in selecting this central site and acquiring it at an enormous cost, has been to locate the school in a portion of the city where the majority of the Jain community are concentrated, and to curtail the distance between the school and the residence, and thus obviate inconveniences to the students of the Jain community. I need not assure your Excellency that we are prepared to do what lies in our humble power, to ensure the prosperity of the Institution, but, my Lord, our efforts would meet with but scant success. if they failed to receive the requisite amount of sympathy and support from the community, for whose benefit the Institution has been brought into existence. With your Excellency, permission I beg to tell my co-religionists that the success and well-being of the school depends entirely upon their goodwill and the amount of sympathy that they extend to it, and I believe I am not appealing to them in vain, when I request them to accord their moral support to the Institution by sending their children to the school, and to avail themselves of the facilities, so solicitously placed within their reach.

It was only the other day, while addressing the students of the Bombay Education Society's Schools, that your Excellency emphasised the necessity of religious instruction as an important factor in the educational system of the country. It is hardly necessary for me to quote your Excellency's words, as they are too fresh in the memory of all these that are present here, and too true to be easily forgotten. But I may be permitted, My Lord, to mention with a feeling of pardonable pride, that long before the question of religious education had come to the fore,—nay, even cropped up in India,—my late lamented father perceived the indispensability of religious instruction in any efficient system of education. Religion in its higher sense was of the essence of the man, and was ever the motive spring of every one of his actions. I do not wish to trouble you, my lord, by recounting the various charities that he set apart for religious purposes, but there is one which deserves special mention as evidencing the fervour of his religious sentiment. The one lakh and twenty-five thousand, that he set apart for effecting certain repairs to the Panchasera Temple at Pattan (Gujarat)—now about 1,200 years old, and believed to have been built in the time of Vanraj Chawda famous in the history of Gujarat—could not have been, I believe, utilised to better purposes. Impressed with the idea that religion was the principal and solid basis of character—national and individual—he has specially provided for the imparting of religious instruction, which will form a particular feature of the new school.

Now let me request you, My Lord, to proceed with the ceremony of the evening.

A month since, while the structure in front of us was nearing its completion myself and the co-trustees resolved to approach your Excellency on the matter of this ceremony, but were suddenly held back by the sorrowful news of the serious illness of your Excellency's consort, Lady Lamington, that flashed one sad evening through the length and breadth of the country. Happily for us all, that gloom has now passed away, and her Excellency is now rapidly progressing towards complete recovey. But the painful incident proved to the world, how deep is the hold which your Excellency has on the affection and love of the people over whom you have been called upon to rule. The sympathies of every one of us Hindus, Mahomedans, Parsis, Christians,—went forth in profusion to your Excellency in your hour of trial, and to-day we are seated on this platform happy in the knowledge that her Excellency Lady Lamington has been almost restored to her former health and vigour, and will, we hope, be back amongst us in a few short months, to discharge the responsible social duties incidental to her Excellency's exalted position.

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BOMBAY IMPROVEMEN TRUST.

THE following are excerpts from the proceedings of a special meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay, held on the 19th December.

The Chairman mentioned that the new chawls at Nagpada were just ready and that it was necessary to fix rents for the rooms.

It was resolved—

Resolution.—The following rents may be adopted for the present :—Ground floor and 1st floor Rs. 2-12 per mensem. 2nd floor and 3rd floor Rs. 2-8 per mensem.

Considered application from Mr. Bapuji Burjorjee Screwwalla for the Building Lease of Plot No. 14 on the Board's Agripada Estate.

The Chairman mentioned that this plot was originally leased to Mr. Abdul Hoosein Sallemanji, but in consequence of his death and default having been committed with regard to the submission of plans, the acceptance of the application had been cancelled and the deposit forfeited to the Board.

Resolution.—The application is accepted.

Considered application from Mr. Navroji Burjorji Tachakra for the Building Lease of Plot No. 22 on the Board's Agripada Estate.

Resolution.—The application is accepted.

Considered the following letter dated 12th December from Mr. R. J. Tata, purchaser of the right to the building lease of Plots Nos. 33A and 37B on the Waudby Road on the Hornby Road Estate :—

With regard to the plans of the buildings to be erected by me on the above Plots, I have the honor to inform you that it is my desire to build a first-class residence for myself on the Plots in question. With this end in view, I intend to take my architect with me to England in March next in order to enable him to prepare special plans and models in consultation with a good architect on that side. This will render in impracticable for me to submit the plans within the period specified in the agreement for lease. I hope, therefore, that the Trust will be pleased to extend the period to twelve months.

Resolution.—The request may be granted, provided that the further deposits of two years' rent be paid now by Mr. Tata, instead of as provided in clause 6 of the conditions, and on the understanding that the free building period will not be extended.

RATS AND PLAGUE.

Considered papers underlying Circular on the following letter from the Municipal Commissioner, dated the 29th September :—

In forwarding herewith 25 copies of reports of 9th January and 12th April from the Executive Health Officer regarding experiments with the Commonsense Rat Exterminator, I have the honour to inform you that, as there seems to be some connection between seasonal mortality amongst rats and the outbreak of plague amongst human beings, and as the Commonsense Rat Exterminator has been found efficacious in killing rats, it is proposed to purchase a large quantity of this poison and start a campaign against rats. The price of the poison is Rs. 6-4-0 per lb. or Rs. 12,500 for 3,000 lbs. Canadian.

Under the circumstances, I request the favour of your co-operation by purchasing a large amount of the poison and putting it, as different places under your control. I would, therefore, like to know how much you would purchase. The Health Department of Municipality will be directed to carry out the supervision of the laying of the poison and of the collection of rats.

Letter of 9th January from the Executive Health Officer to the Municipal Commissioner.

I have the honour to inform you that it is commonly acknowledged that rats play a great part in the dissemination of plague. The majority of observers go so far as to say that plague is primarily an epizootic disease of rats ; secondly, an epidemic in human beings.

The link between the two as to how the disease is conveyed from rat to man still forms the subject of discussion, but the rats play an important part in the spread of plague cannot be denied.

There is an enormous amount of literature on subject, and the consensus of opinion is that the presense of the rat is a danger to the community, and they ought to be destroyed.

Every city in the world now takes special measures both for the extermination of rats and precautions against their importation by ships, and I am of opinion that the most strenuous efforts should be made to exterminate the rat in Bombay and prevent its importation.

Many efforts have been made in Bombay since the outreak of plague to kill rats, and I give below an extract of my report on the subject in February 1902 :—

(a) 'A special microbe the Virus Danyz—was tried in the early days of plague in the hope of its inoculating rats and causing their death, and I have made further experiments with it, but it was not successful.

(b) 'Rats mainly been destroyed by laying down poison (rough on rats), traps in gullies, and places where grain is stored.'

(c) 'Placing pills made of phosphorus, ceased with a wheat flour, near the mouth of drains and gullies.'

(d) 'Rat-catchers were formerly employed for the destruction of rats and were paid a fixed salary. They caught the rats alive, which were subsequently killed and burnt. As the rat-catchers were not very industrious, their services were dispensed with, and the beggaries of the Health-Department were induced to help in the work of destroying rats by being offered a reward of half an anna par each rat brought by them to the stables.

No systematic assistance of any value has been given by private individuals beyond complaining of the presence of rats in their houses. In one or two sections low-caste Hindus, such as Mahars, Mangs, Bhungis, &c., co-operated in this measure of destroying rats, inasmuch as each rat brought them half an anna.

The Mahomedans also appears to have co-operated to some extent.

The Bania community always opposed this measure, and often destroyed the traps laid for rats. They used to let out of the traps any rats that might have been caught in them. They did not do so in the neighbourhood of their own houses, but took the traps into other streets and left the rats loose there.

The Bhatia and Jain community in general did object to the killing of rats owing to religious prejudices. As the people come to understand the important part played by rats in spreading infection, there is no actual opposition to the measure.

The total cost incurred in 1900 and 1901 was Rs. 18 830 4-0, the approximate number of rats destroyed from 1897 to 31st January 1902 is 797,333. I have no details of cost previous to 1900.

The rat-catchers that were employed being not very industrious, their services were dispensed with. The destruction of rats in a Ward was not practiced by discontinued, but the beggaries objected to the order that dried up and decomposed carcasses of rats would not be numbered and gradually ceased from bringing rats to be counted.

In July 1903 we received a letter from Government asking us to arrange for experiment with the Commonsense Rat Exterminator which has been recommended by the Minister of Agriculture, Ontario.

A sample of this material was obtained and tried in Bombay.

Owing to the method of preparation and distribution, the result was not very successful and it reported that the poison did not appear to be better than any other method. Mr. R. M. Prittie, the proprietor of the Exterminator, has been in Bombay for the past month, and I have personally supervised his operation, and with the aid of the Health Department staff have treated several areas.

	No. of baits laid down	No. of baits taken away by rats.	No. of baits dead rats recovered picked up	No. of dead rats
1. Ralli Brothers' godowns ...	2,540	1,370	1,170	220
2. Kamatipura...	2,543	2,294	354	145
3. Mandvi.....	2,825	2,188	637	193

The method of procedure is as follows :—

Small pieces of bread are smeared with the poison and covered with sugar and flour. These pieces of bait are distributed over the area to be treated over night.

Next morning all the pieces of bait not taken are recovered and counted, and all the dead rats picked up.

It is estimated that one bait taken represents one rat killed.

The dead rats not recovered have died in their holes or drains, and it is stated that these rats when dead do not cause a nuisance as their bodies dry up.

If this is not perfectly accurate, the nuisance caused by the decomposing rat does not last long, and by careful search can be removed. A dead rat even decomposing is likely to be less harmful than a plague-infected one.

No complaint has been received that the dead rats are a nuisance.

1 lb. tin will suffice 450 baits, and if 75 per cent. of the baits are taken, about 300 rats will be killed at Rs. 6-4-0 or 4 pies per rat.

I consider that this is the best and cheapest method we have yet had for killing rats, and from what I have seen I think that if the bait was prepared and laid in large quantities under the supervision of the Health Department, it would be the means of exterminating the rats in Bombay.

In order to carry out the campaign against rats with this poison, all the owners and occupies of stores and godowns should be induced to help. All ships coming into harbour before discharging cargoes should be treated, and the docks and wharves systematically dealt with.

The results achieved in England at the docks and wharves are every encouraging, and I am strongly of opinion that we ought to make an attempt to exterminate the rats here.

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ART, MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

"Choralists" and King Fog.

THE STAGE IN FRANCE.

THEATRICAL JOTTINGS.

LONDON, DEC. 22.

As with everything else in London genius often depends upon the weather. The London Choral Society have recently had a disagreeable illustration of this Queen Hall at eight o'clock on a recent evening, held only the scantiest audience, and Mr. Arthur Fagge had to claim indulgence while he waited for the coming of befogged choristers and fiddlers. King Fog reigned supreme, and cabmen and chauffeurs anathematised him in vein. As bad luck had it, too, the Society's programme, or, at all events, the great bulk of it, was not a cheerful one. Some of us are thick-and-thin admirers of Brahms, and others prefer to sift out the beautiful from the dull. But it is only the omnivorous ones who, laying their inmost hearts bare, would declare the "Requiem," followed by the four "Serious songs," an enjoyable programme for a hopelessly foggy night. This, no doubt, was partly the London Choral Society's bad fortune. But we think that, in any case to supplement so austere—and, in parts, so dismal—a work as Brahms's "Requiem" by further examples of the master that were by no means calculated to lighten the weight of what had gone before was a very decided error of judgment. Let us hope, however, that there were some present who unfeignedly enjoyed themselves. One may praise the earnestness with which all concerned applied themselves to their solemn task, under most discouraging circumstances. The solos fell to Miss Gleeson White and Mr. Kennerly Rumford, of whom the latter, of course, was the deliverer of the "Serious Songs. To these pieces, Brahms's final and most ponderous lyrical utterances, the artist did all justice. As a finale, to sweep away the Brahms cobwebs, Mr. Frederick Cliffe's North-East Wind" was set blowing, (Would that the real thing had been in evidence outside !) This work came fresh from its triumph in the north, and all were glad to welcome its breezy phrases and rhythms. Here the composer has caught very happily the spirit of Kingsley's ode —so happily, indeed, that many will be wondering why it is that we hear from Mr. Cliffe so seldom. When he pipes to us, however, it is generally to excellent purpose ; so, perhaps, his long passages of silence may be pardoned. It cannot be said that Mr. Fagg's choir brought quite the Yorkshire tone and enthusiasm to their task, But that they did their best and sang with a will there is no denying. Mr. Cliffe had a unanimous and a well-deserved call when all was over, and then the audience went forth nervously into the fog.

The symphony concert given by the Queen's Hall orchestra a few days ago, under Mr. Henry Wood, at the Queen's Hall, was an unqualified success. We may begin with the pianoforte playing of Signor Busoni in Liszt's Concerto (No. 2, in A major) for pianoforte and orchestra. Busoni, it is now universally admitted, stands in the first rank of contemporary pianists. If any further proof of this fact had been seriously needed before this concert—which it certainly was not—his playing of this Concerto would have given such proof amply and abundantly. Nobody without a magnificent technique would dare to approach this Concerto with any hope of real success. Its difficulties are tremendous. It requires the greatest dexterity of hand, the greatest concentration of brain, a fine memory, and, beyond and above all things, a real feeling of musicianship. This is not to say that the work itself ranks upon the highest plane of music, but it takes a far higher place than many critics in the past have been inclined to give it. It is rhetorical, if you like, but its rhetoric is often very beautiful, just as the rhetoric of such men as Burke or Byron is also frequently very noble, quite apart from the poetry which belongs to the work of such great men as these. Putting this matter, however, on one side, Busoni seemed to touch the height and depth of fine plain. In a work so difficult that to most players it would seem almost impossible to render it without showing some necessary difficulty, which had to be overcome, Busoni played as if it had no difficulties whatever, it was only when each movement is over that you realised the tremendous powers which he had brought to bear in his rendering of the work. In a word, in the playing of this Concerto he was splendid, swift and stronly, and it must also be added that he received extremely fine support from Mr. Henry Wood's band.

The symphony chosen for the afternoon was that which is commonly known as Dvorak's Nigger Symphony (No. 5 in E minor,) though its more stately title is From the New World. It was very beautifully played, and although we have heard the symphony over and over again, it is particularly curious, on account of such fine playing as that which the band gave to us on this occasion, to note how, despite Dvorak's deliberate intention of using some of the most beautiful of the real negro melodies, he falls under the influence of both Baethoven and Wagner. The opening of the second movement, for example, reminds one very much of a famous passage in Parsifal, and the little bird passage in the same movement is equally reminiscent of the Pastoral Symphony. The work, nevertheless, is full of beauty of the most individual kind, and seems to show how folksong, when raised by the hand of a genuine musician to the level of modern instrumental music, can be utilised with rare effectiveness. It is now certain that Mr. Wood has attained to that point which we, for our own part thought once to be impossible, namely, that he has moulded, despite the new material which has been imparted into the orchestra, a combination of players which has become once more, as in the case of his old orchestra, a splendidly united body. At first we were sceptical, we have said, as to whether this could be possible ; but the times do give it proof. At the end of the second movement, for example, they played with extraordinary delicacy, and—which is a great test to any large combination of players—their pianissimos were splendid. In fact, parodning Mr. Kipling's title, this may be called The Orchestra that found Itself. The concert opened with Mozart's Adagio and Fugue in C minor for strings, and it was exquisitely played. The programme concluded with Weber's overture Euryanthe.

Dramatised novels are often irritating, either to those who do or to those who do not know the book and the greater the novel the greater the risk Balzac, with his crowded and minutely elaborate canvas, and the overshadowing of his own curious personality, at once subtle and naive, acute yet romantic, over all his pictures, is the one novelist to tempt playwrights. But MM. Pierre Decourcelle and Granet have made a surprisingly good play of "La Cousine Bette." There is one necessary reservation which sounds worse than it really is. The play is almost "La Cousine Bette" with the Cousine Bette left out. She is always on the stage, but her personality is never there. The little old maid, eaten with jealousy, long suffering, but slily and surely vindictive, must remain wholly unknown to a spectator who has not read the novel This is only partly the fault of the actress, Mme. Cecile Caron, a strangely good-humoured, comfortable-looking Bette, But around that colourless central figure four characters really live on the stage. Mme. Marneffe, to whom all the wiles of the devil are familiar, has been recreated by the dramatists with surprising vigour, and Mme. Berthe Cerny has understood the part with admirable intelligence. Mdlle. Henriette Roggers's Adeline Halot is exactly the Adeline we knew, a character all of a piece, all simplicity and heart-whole devotion. That other wonderful figure, Baroun Hulot, too, has walked straight out of the novel—the final type of the homme a femme, a limp rag of moral cowardice, M. Duquesnee in the part is excellent as the eternal lover who never will "unharness," and equally good in his collapse when, branded as thief by the two old soldiers, his brother, Marshal Halot—picturesquely played by M. Camille Bert—and the Minister of War, Prince de Wissembers—a fine, dignified creation of M. Gaston Dubosc—he cowers a crumbled, blabbering wreck and begs for life.

But the really great creation of the performance is M. Lerand's Marneffe, and such acting is on a level with the greatest. The actor is physically another man. His figure has shrunk, his face is cadaverous,

his lips bloodless, his body eaten by disease, his mind rotten. The character was drawn with savage ruthlessness by Balzac. The Marneffe of M. Lerand is equally terrible. His cringing, his debasement, his sly and horrible trading on his wife's infamy, his sinister fits of revengefulness when Baron Hulot is down, and his instant relapse into the slavishness of a Uriah Heep, literally set the audience trembling. No one who appreciates acting must miss seeing M. Lerand's Marneffe. The play is deftly told in seven scenes, starts with the marriage of Hulot's daughter to Bette's imaginary lover, the sculptor Wenceslas. The plot round Baron Hulot is soon woven by the devilish Madame Marneffe and her worse than devilish husband. The scene where Marneffe begins to threaten Hulot, but quickly puts on the loathsome mask again, and Madame Marneffe first plays the trick of her expected motherhood, prepares the climax of the next, when she pits her paramours one against the other, and finally entraps Hulot, caught with her by Marneffe, accompanied by the police commissary. Hulot's collapse follows, and the crash comes at the Ministry of War in his study, where he shrinks abjectly from the pistol his brother offers him and where Marneffe gloats, yet even now still cringing. The last scene is in broken-down Hulot's hovel in the Petite Pologne, where the impossibly generous Adeline ferrets him out, finds him with a girl of seventeen, yet takes him back. We only hear of the horrible revenge wrought on Madame Marneffe, stricken with a loathsome disease. The play is capitally staged, and the Early Victorian dresses are charming. Captain Crevels uniform of the Garde Nationale was a joy.

Mr. William Mollison and Mr. Durward Lely are determined to make the most of their short season at the St. James's. On the 27th ultimo they produced there "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush," which is to be given not only every evening but on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. Their energies, however, carry them a little beyond this point, inasmuch as they arranged for a series of special matinees during the Christmas holidays of Shakespeare's joyous comedy. As You Like It. In that fact we have another proof that Shakespeare is rapidly becoming almost as favourite a matinee idol as Mr. Bernard Shaw himself. The cast of the St. James's revival is exceptionally attractive. Miss Lilian Braithwaite has already shown in Dr. Wake's Patient that she is a deft exponent of comedy and it is pleasant to see her with so fruitful a part as Rosalind.

A GERMAN PRO-BRITISH DEMONSTRATION.

THE Berlin correspondent of "Continental Correspondence" writes :

The two great English Pro-German demonstrations of sympathy have been soon followed by an Anglophile meeting in Berlin. Reports upon the proceedings in this imposing assembly have already been made by wire. But it appears to me worth while to emphasise 3 of its leading characteristics.

The first of these is the status of the public in attendance at the meeting, which was called by the Seniors of the Merchants Guild. It could, however never, have attained the importance, which as a matter of fact is its due, if only persons engaged in trade and industry had answered the summons. For then it might well have been said abroad, that of course the mercantile classes wished to preserve good relations with a country, with which Germany is so closely knit by the ties of commerce. As a fact, however, numerous personages took part in the gathering, who belonged to professions and callings quite uninfluenced by any material or personal interest in good relations with England. Thus many of the leading officials of the Civil and Municipal Services were present, as well as members of the German and Prussian Parliaments and prominent representatives of science and art. There was no lack, too, of representatives of the Press, which is so much the more noteworthy as it is against the press of both countries particularly that the reproach is made of stirring up ill will between the two nations.

A second point worth notice is an idea expressed by Dr. Salomonsohn, Director of the Disconto-Gesellschaft, in his very able and thoughtful speech. He gave utterance to the wish, that Germans and English should learn to know one another better. He meant this to be understood certainly in the first place metaphorically, but as he has himself travelled a great deal, he knows how many a prejudice would be overcome, if one learnt to know a country and its people from direct observation. Now the Germans and the English are the two European nations most fond of travel, but they visit one another's countries very little indeed. Englishmen learn at the most a little about the Rhine districts as they travel through Germany to Switzerland and Italy, but they very rarely visit the central districts of Germany. The Germans, too, on their side are fond of travelling southwards and further, also to France, whilst in the last ten years or so they have visited Sweeden and Norway a good deal, but they comparatively rarely tour through Great Britain. It would be very helpful to good relations between the two nations, if each were to learn as much as possible about the natural attractions and national characteristics of the other's country. Then, too, it might well be wished that the travellers of the two nationalities should develop such an unbiassed judgment as Jerome K. Jerome has shown in his book. "Three men on the Bummel," a book in which together with much smart but never spiteful satire on many German weaknesses, the best features of the two allied races are plainly emphasised with telling good humour.

It was finally a very pleasing characteristic of the meeting that it kept aloof from any kind of sham or pretence. The speakers belonging to the mercantile profession admitted candidly that Germany was entering into sharp competition with English commerce. They pointed out, however, and quite rightly that there was no reason why this economic competition should produce unfriendly relations between the two nations. This view of the matter, too, is supported by history. Exactly half a century ago there existed an alliance between England and France, although at that time France was the only country, which was in a position to enter into any competition worth notice with England's oversea trade. And in less than fifty years from now the United States in Central and South America as well as Japan in East Asia will be sources of extreme danger to both English and German commerce. But it can at once be foretold that on that account neither England nor Germany would think of commencing a war with Japan or the United States. It remains to be hoped, that the reasonable view adopted by this assembly will find a wide and lasting response.

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BABU PANALAL JAIN HIGH SCHOOL.

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Our principal regret on this auspicious occasion is that we have been deprived of her Excellency's genial presence, which, permit me, my lord, to add, would have immensely added to the relish and charm of the occasion, and would have doubly enhanced the gratification thatwe feel at your Excellency's gracious presence amongst us this evening.

Your Excellency's kind acceptance of our humble invitation in the midst of your multifarious duties and more pressing calls upon your valuable time, and that too after a long and trying tour, is an unmistakable evidence of the deep interest that your Excellency takes in the general welfare and progress of the several communities entrusted to your care, and is sure to stimulate others and other communities, to devote a portion of their superfluous wealth to the amelioration of their less favoured brethren.

But before I close, I beg to tender, with your Excellency's permission our best thanks to all the gentlemen who have taken the trouble of coming over here to grace the occasion by their presence. Now my lord, once again I beg to express, however inadequately, the deep sense of gratefulness of myself the co-Trustees and the Jain community to your Excellency, for so kindly coming over to perform the opening ceremony of this building. I now beg to hand your Excellency the key, and to pray that your Excellency may be graciously pleased to enter the building and declare it open for the purposes, for which it has been constructed.

Lord Lamington in reply, said he esteemed it a very great compliment to be asked by the representatives of that great community of the Jains to come there that afternoon to take part in that function. The importance of the Jain community was obvious from the great gathering he saw before him and he was glad to notice also that there were many representatives of other communities too. The undertaking they were met to celebrate that afternoon was one that was of course to be primarily devoted to Jains, but while it was quite natural that the children of Jains should have the greatest right to be educated there, it was also only proper that the children of other communities should have the privilege of being educated there when it could be done. It was a great testimony to the noble spirit of the donor that he should have given such a generous donation towards the school. There was one feature that should be remembered in connection with the provision of this handsome new school and dispensary, and that was that not only had the money been provided for the site and the building, but what was more was that they had offered two lakhs for the maintenance of the institution (Cheers). He only hoped that that would prove an example to others not only in regard to the spread of education, but also in regard to all kinds of other charitable objects that had been started in the Bombay Presidency. He would like to see the means provided for adding to the usefulness of many other excellent institutions. It was very noteworthy that the Jains, who had such a distinguished history, should bear such a remarkable reputation for kindness of heart, not only to their fellow countrymen, but also to dumb animals (Applause). It was but natural, therefore, that they should take such notable steps to provide for the education of their children. He had always looked upon that community as one of the most industrious and one of the most generous in Bombay, not only to their own people, but also to those amongst whom they lived. If anything was calculated to advance their position it was undoubtedly by looking after the education of the children. He hoped that those who would be pupils in that school would realise their debt to their benefactor, and would remember that their education there was given free. He did not believe that those who could not afford to pay for the education of their children should have that burden thrown upon them. It was for them that the generous donor intended the education to be given there. He had more than once remarked, on occasions of the kind that there could be no true system of education which did not include the teaching of religion. Proper education not only included the training of the mind but also included the cultivation of character. Without that, and the inculcation of religion, the best education was valueless. For children about to enter upon the path of life it was necessary not only to have the intelligence well trained, but also to possess those other qualities which would assist the boy going out into life to hold his own by the excellence of his conduct. His Excellency, (being scarcely able to hear himself speak for the noise of the crowd outside the thinly covered shamiana) said : Ladies and gentlemen it is difficult to talk here this afternoon. The noise is rather too loud to make myself heard, but I may say I have the greatest pleasure in being here, and I trust that the name of Babu Pannalal Pooranchand will be held in reverence by all those whose privilege it is to come for their education to this school. (Cheers.) Lord Lamington thanked Mr. Jivanlal Panalal and the co-trustees for asking him there that afternoon, and said it gave him great pleasure therefore to perform that ceremony. His Excellency then formally declared the school open. He thanked them also for their kind references to Lady Lamington. He thought the statements that afternoon were rather too hopeful, but he was extremely gratified to be able to say that during the short time Lady Lamington was among them she was able to secure such a great place in their affections. He knew how from time to time their prayers had been offered up for her recovery from her great trial, and was sincerely touched at the manner in which the people of Bombay testified their affection for her. He also thanked Mr. Pannalal for presenting him with the handsome key with which to open the new schools.

On the motion of Sir Bhalchandra Krishna a hearty vote of thanks was then passed to his Excellency for coming there to perform the opening ceremony. Sir Bhalchandra made sympathetic references to Lady Lamington's illness and hoped that her recovery might be speedy and that ere long her Ladyship might be welcomed once again to Bombay. He hoped that not only would the pupils of the new schools turn out to be excellent scholars, but that they would also be conspicuous for their loyalty—as loyal, in fact, as the late Mr. Pannalal was—to the Empire (Cheers).

His Excellency then proceeded to the school and having unlocked the door with the handsome gold-plated key which had been presented to him, inspected the class rooms and dispensary. The proceedings then terminated.

The public will be gratified to learn that Messrs. Jevanlal Panalal, Bhagwanlal Panalal and Mohalal Panalal have on this occasion signified their intention to give a handsome amount of Rs. 25 000 and also their mother, the widow of the late Panalal a sum of Rs. 5,000 on terms to be determined hereafter in the interest of the institution. Also there have been recorded the grants of Rs 1,500 from Baboo Chunilal Panalal and Rs. 1,000 each from Baboo Nanack Chand Pooranchand and Amechand Panalal. Besides Bai Keshabai the daughter of the late Baboo Panalal has set apart a sum of Rs 2,000 for founding a scholarship in memory of her deceased daughter.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON TUESDAY, THE 9TH JAN.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been slightly irregular, showing a brisk fall in Sind and a brisk to rapid or very rapid rise in several places.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been fresh to light.

Temperature.—The variations of the maximum and minimum show a defect of 5° to 9° in several places. The highest temperature in the shade was 91° at Bellary and the lowest 33° at Sirsa.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast at Bellary, Akola, Raipur, Indore and Lahore.

Rain.—Nil.

Weather continues generally fine in the Bombay Presidency.

N. LESLIE,
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MURDER OF AN EX-DEWAN BY BHILS.

CONVICTION AND SENTENCE UPHELD.

YESTERDAY, on the Appellate side of the Bombay High Court Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice, and the Hon. Mr. Justice Batty, disposed of an appeal preferred by Godia Wanji, Hatia Isria, Luchia Atria, Narsi Atria, Holia Nattia, and Pusha Dhania, who had been convicted on 10th August last by Mr. Dayaram Gidumal, Sessions Judge of Khandesh, of committing the murder of Jamadar Amiruddin, ex-Dewan of Gumansing, Chief of the Chikli State, on the night of 4th December 1904, and each of whom had been sentenced to transportation for life. Mr. Branson, with Mr. M. B. Chawbal, appeared for the accused. Rao Bahadur Vasudev J. Kirtikar, Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown.

The Chief Justice, in the course of his judgement, said that stated in broad outline, the case for the prosecution was that on Saturday the 3rd December 1904 a plot was arranged for the murder of Amiruddin, who had incurred the displeasure of his former employer. In pursuance of the plot the six accused, together with Kothia, a witness in the case, set out for Amiruddin's hut, in the village of Bharwad, Godia being armed with a sword, Kathia with a gun, and Luchia with a pistol. Outside the hut, two men and a blind woman were sleeping with a lamp near them, cattle were tethered close by. One of the two men, Nimba, called out, Pushia hit him on the head with a club, smashing also the lamp. There was a stampede of the cattle. Luchia, Kothia, and Godia entered the room in which Amiruddin and his household were sleeping. On one bed slept Amiruddin and Laibi, the other inmates of the room being two boys named Sawaiuddin and Amin, Amiruddin's bed was on the north-west corner of the room, the three accused came up to the east side of it. On the far side of the bed was Amiruddin, he raised himself up, at Luchia's instigation Godia struck him two violent blows with his sword, one on the top of the left arm, the other on the left side of the neck. Laibi cried out, the three men left the hut, and with their companions, returned to the cart they had left near a nullah, in charge of its driver Sania. The party came back to Luchia's "Khalla" sometime after the sun had risen; all, including Sania, having taken the oath of secrecy, dispersed.

The accused had been represented in the Appeal Court by Mr. Branson, who had strenuously argued before the Judges against credence being given to the evidence, by which the case for the prosecution was sought to be supported. Counsel placed alternative theories before the Court, which pointed to others as being responsible for the crime; then, he strongly relied on the incongruities, urged that the case bore clear traces of the concoction of evidence, which, he remarked, were full of infirmities; and lastly, he maintained, no motive had been established. After rejecting the points of alternative theories and incongruities, the Chief Justice remarked that the account given of the supposed tutoring was unworthy of belief; while the evidence about it had failed to be convincing. It was stated that the procedure adopted by Mr. White, Assistant Superintendent, in investigating the case, had mischievous results, for complaint was made of his having confronted the several persons whom he had examined, of which fact, Mr. White had made no secret. But the Court could not agree that these methods had been the means of bringing about the consequences attributed to them, on the contrary, they were adopted as the surest mode of eliminating what was irrelevant, and arriving at the truth. No doubt there were infirmities in the evidence, necessitating vigilance on the part of the Court and calling for careful consideration, but these did not lead the Judges to hold that this was an untrue case. As regarded the motive it should be remembered that Amiruddin claimed Rs. 3,500 from Gumansing; his petition to the Collector showed that he had been taking steps to compel payment of the amount. There was ample material for supposing that Luchia regarded Amiruddin's death as a welcome expedient for removing the pressure about the claim. The Court purposely refrained from discussing this aspect of the case more in detail; but there was no doubt that the motive was to be found in it. The Court, recognised there were irregularities; the Magistrate should have noticed the retractation; and it was to be regretted that the police-custody was prolonged to the extent it was. But taking all these into consideration, the evidence in the case justified the conclusion that the accused were guilty of the offence they were convicted of by the Sessions Judge and one of the Assessors. Confessions of Godia and Hatia were very circumstantial. In the absence of traces of injury on their persons, it would be difficult to assume that these confessions were induced by Police-pressure. Godia had admitted that he had taken a very prominent part in the crime; there was nothing to account for his having accepted the sole responsibility for the murderous blows, if his story was false. Against Godia and Hatia their confessions were practically conclusive; considered in conjunction with the evidence of Kathia and Sania, these confessions strongly confirm the case for the prosecution.

The appeal was dismissed, the convictions and sentences were confirmed.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

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The cost of purchasing 10 tons Canadian—2000 lbs of the Commonsense Rat Exterminate—would be Rs. 1.25,000, which would provide sufficient bait for 10,000,000 rats; and assuming 50 per cent. were killed, then 5,000,000 rats could be destroyed during intervals of the epidemics.

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In Schemes Nos. II and VIII about 154 lbs. and in Scheme No. III about 513 lbs. of Commonsense Rat Exterminator would be required according to figures given by the Executive Health Officer.

The cost of his proposals would work out as follows :—

6·6 lbs Poison at Rs. 6-4-0 per lb.....	Rs. 4,1625
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Total ...	,, 5 203·1
Add—Contingencies at 10 per cent.....	,, 520·3
Total ...	Rs. 5,723·4

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215 lbs. Poison at Rs. 6-4d.....	Rs. 1 344
Bread and labour at 25 per cent.....	,, 336
Total...	Rs. 1,680
Add—Contingencies at 10 per cent.....	,, 168
Total	Rs. 1,848

I do not altogether like the idea of dealing with this quantity of poison with my small and well occupied staff. I think that if the Executive Health Officer would undertake the work at our expense, this would be a much more satisfactory arrangement.

There can be no doubt that any noticeable reduction in the number of rats would be for the good of Bombay. But I doubt if it is practicable to effect any noticeable reduction in this manner. However, the cost is not great in comparison with our operations, and I think the experiment is worth trying.

I attach copy of the Executive Health Officer's No P—5705 dated the 6th instant stating that he is now ready to supply poison.

"Letter of 6th December from the Executive Health Officer to the Trust Engineer."

I have the honor to inform you that the Commonsense Rat Poison is now available, and I shall be glad to know what quantity will be required by you. Some one may be deputed to learn the operation of laying the baits, and we will give all necessary instructions in a practical manner.

Read the minutes thereon. After discussion, the Chairman remarked that the sense of the meeting appeared to be that the Commissioner should be informed that the Board are not sufficiently satisfied of the efficacy of the poison to sanction the expenditure which would be entailed, and this was accordingly the motion before the Board. Mr. Forbes then proposed the following amendment :—

That sanction to the expenditure of Rs. 7,000 as proposed be accorded, provided the Solicitors advise that it can legally be incurred.

The amendment on being put to the vote was carried.

The amendment on being put as a substantive motion was also carried.

It was accordingly resolved—

Resolution.—That sanction to the expenditure of Rs. 7,000, as proposed, be accorded, provided the Solicitors advise that it can legally be incurred.

Owing to pressure on our space a long communication from the Chairman, on the subject of acquiring property for the erection of modern dwelling at a reasonable cost in insanitary areas, has been omitted and will be published in our every edition.

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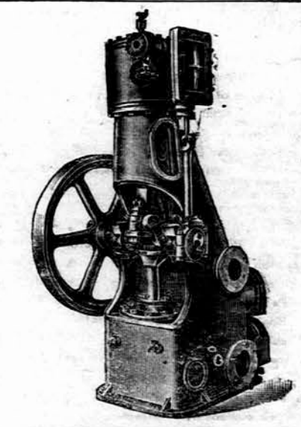

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It is possible that Mr. Birrell may soon gather some curious accounts of his career from the Italian newspapers for he is described in the Dictionnaire International des Ecrivains du Monde Latin by, Angelo de Gubernatis (Rome 1905), as Birrell Augustine, femme auteur anglaise demeurant a Chelsea. Flattering inferences may be drawn as to the progress of the feminist movement in England, when she entrusts the direction of national Education to a Minister in petticoats.

The most piquant placing is that of Mr. Haldane. Plato proposed for an Utopian revolution that the philosopher should be king. The supporters of the present Government have scoffed often enough at the philosopher as Prime Minister in the person of Mr. Balfour. The philosopher, the auther of The Pathway to reality," the translators of The World as Will and Idea, at the War Office is a still more paradoxical revolution. Then the Secretary for Foreign Affairs is an authority on Fly fishing (not without its analogies in the diplomatic world); the Postmaster-General has also written about Fishing and Shooting as well as on political methods; the Lord President of the Council is a minor poet; and the Under-Secretary for the Colonies has been as enterprising and successful in authorship as in all his other adventures. About the literary merits of Mr. Bryce and of Mr. John Morley, who is privileged to write O M. after his name, it should be quite needless to say anything. For she author of the admirable Life of Lord Grainville a place has been found at the last moment.

The select list of literary names in the new Order of Merit is again reduced by the death of Sir Richards Jebb. Cambridge University will have to find a new member for Parliament and a new Regius Professor of Greek and the British Museum another trustee; but it does not follow that there will be a successor in the Order of Merit. There are many advantages in an elasticity which neither compels choice nor limits it whenever a death occurs in its ranks. It was a matter of good augury that scholarship, which must always be the least popularly famous branch of literary distinction, should have been thus early recognised in the history of the Kings new Order.

To the large class whose literary taste leans rather to the anecdotage of literature then to scholarship Sir Richard Jebb was perhaps known chiefly as the victim of certain spiteful epigrams by a former Regius Professor of Greek at Cambridge. Of all gifts that gift of saying memorable bitter things about one's contemporaries is the least enviable passport to immortality; and it is Dr. Thompson's good fortune that the letters of his "innocent far niente" friend Edward Fitzerald are likely to preserve for posterity a more pleasing portrait of him than his own epigrams would suggest. Happily Sir Richard Jebb lived to prove his qualities to all the world. A professor of Greek, says the Professor of Greek in Mr. Shaw's new play, very often does not know Greek, and never knows anything else. It is a pious but perilous faith that the Greekless mob is going to prove more efficient, to use the cant word of the moment, than Sir Richard Jebb.

Mr. Wells, in his history of Mr. Kipps, puts the motto of what he calls Fishency into the mouth of the proprietor of the big drapery establishment. How does Mr. Wells pronounce the ci in the word efficiency? Since my eye fell on Mr. Well's spelling I have listened attentively to educated people's pronunciation of this word, now only too often used and my ear can detect no difference between their pronunciation of sh and their pronunciation of ci in this word. I mention the point because it seems to me that novelists and other humorists in so many cases seek to represent the pronunciation of the illiterate by a misspelling which in no way misrepresents the pronunciation of the literate.

Three mothers and their sons are the subject of M. Rene Boylesve's study in his very successful book, Le Bel Aventr. Mme. Dieulafait d'Oudart is left a widow with her handsome boy Alex, and a snug little property in Poitou, which the neighbours describe as presque un chateau. Her son goes to Paris to take his degrees in law, after the manner of his forefathers, and there spends so much money that she not only has to part with some of her precious land, but thinks it best to follow and make a home for him on the left bank. Here she meets her old schoolfellow, Mme. Chef-Boutonne, a sort of French Mrs. Hobson Newcome, much allied with all the professors of the University and of the different Courts which grace both banks of the Seine, with a well-to-do and submissive husband, and a son who has never given his mother a moment's uneasiness. Lastly comes the widow Lepoitroux, a humble protegee of Mme. d'Oudards' with her son Hilaire, who is brought up by the Jesuits as the result of his patroness's intervention, but who breaks away from ecclesiastical influences and becomes, like the other two, a law studentnt in Paris. Which of these three will arrive is the problem that M. Boylesve sets before his readers. Paul Chef-Boutonne sates favourite with fair, if not brilliant talents, unflagging industry, an active and intriguing mother to push him on, and plenty of money to help him, and seems for some time likely to canter in ahead. Yet, somehow, he does not, so to speak, come off. After giving every sign of being an irreclaimable mull, he breaks out, half ruins himself and his mother by running after a notorious demi-mondaine, and is finally glad to accept a very small place, in the Ministry of the Interior. Hilaire Lepoitroux, on the other hand, the uncouth ex-pupil of the Jesuits, reveals unexpected talent, carries everything before him at the University and the Sorbonne, even throws off his early allegiance and turns Freemason, and is rewarded with a provincial magistracy at £120 a year, which he and his ungrateful mother alike regard as hardly genteel starvation. Finally comes Alex the dunce, who fails time after time in his examinations, who has nearly reduced his mother to indigence, and has compelled her to let her Pointevin chateau, while her humble apartment in Paris is turned into a place of assignation for himself and his middle class female admirers. Yet he has the gift of pleasing everybody, and thus all, in the run, goes well with him. One of his petites amies breaks her leg at a critical moment, and marries in her own class, the other commits suicide sooner than hinder his prospects. His other innamoratas do him no harm. If no good and, finally, having put in a little work at the Bar, he marries the rich and handsome daughter of the family who have taken his ancestral acres and is thus able to give back to his mother the apple of her eye, embellished and renovated by the timely expenditure of new money. As the old notary who has acted as her adviser throughout declares, the tap with the wand which some fairy gave him at his birth has done more for him than either painstaking ability or brilliant genius. The story has no moral, and although there is no harm in it it is doubtful whether an up-to-date girl would allow her mother to read it. Yet the character-drawing is beyond all praise, and the picture of female aspirations and the pettiness sometimes associated in women with a capacity for the most heroic self sacrifice, will be a revelation to the Mera Mar.

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D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi ...	0	0	10
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G Mahim and Worli ...	0	0	7
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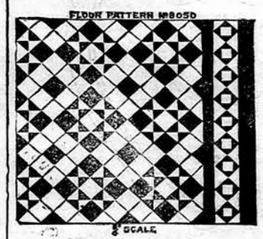

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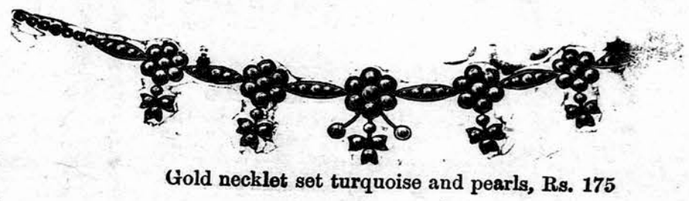

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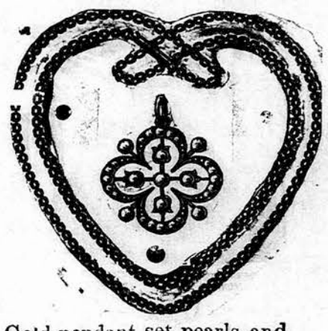

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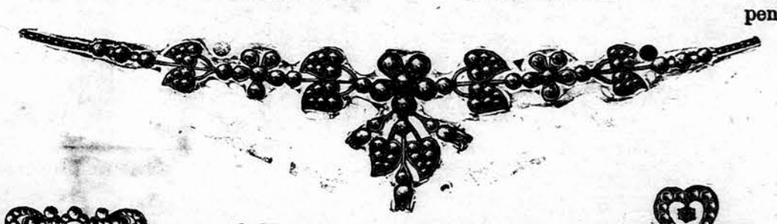

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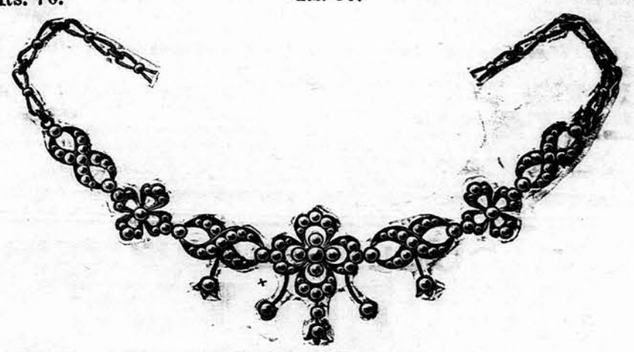

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